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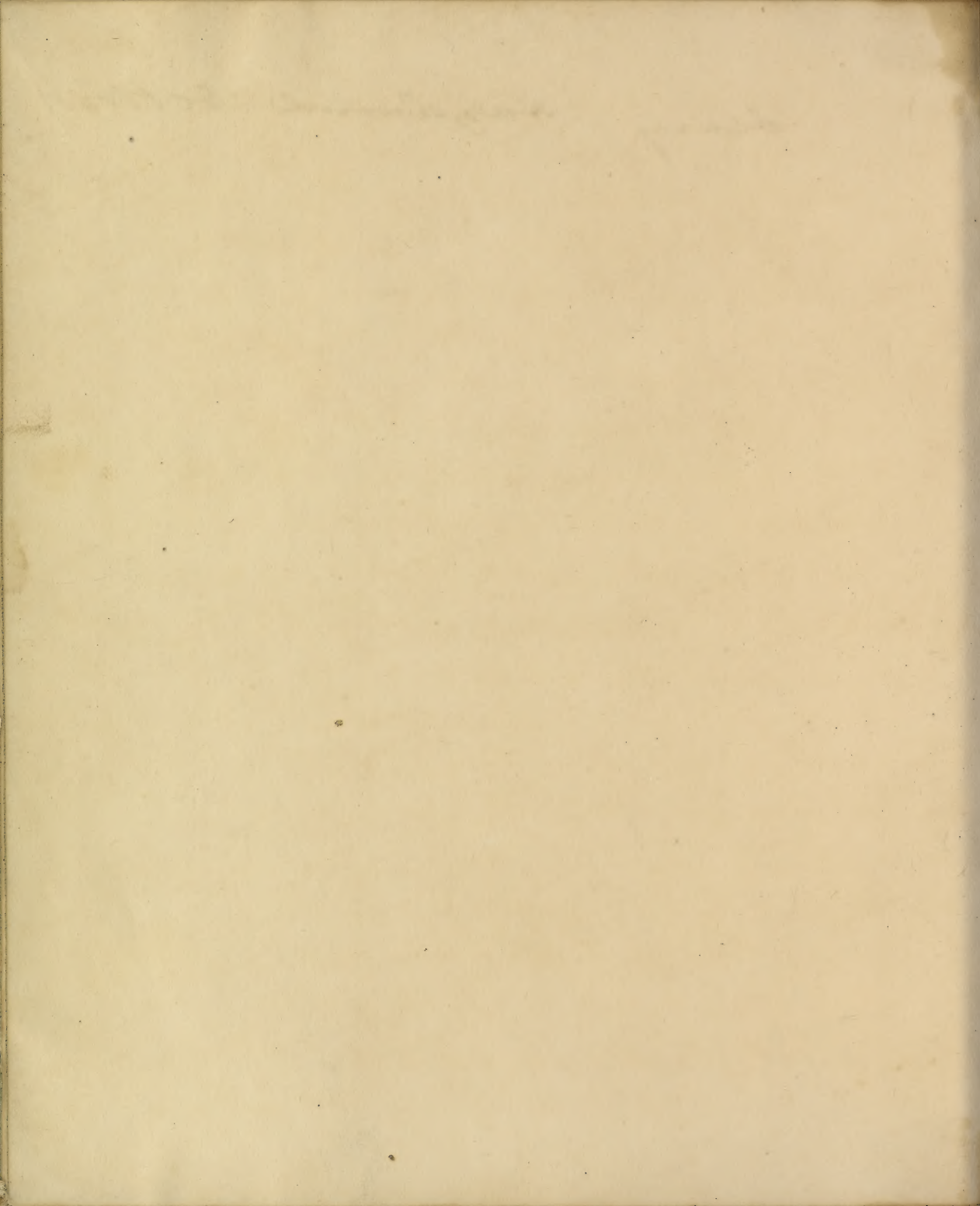
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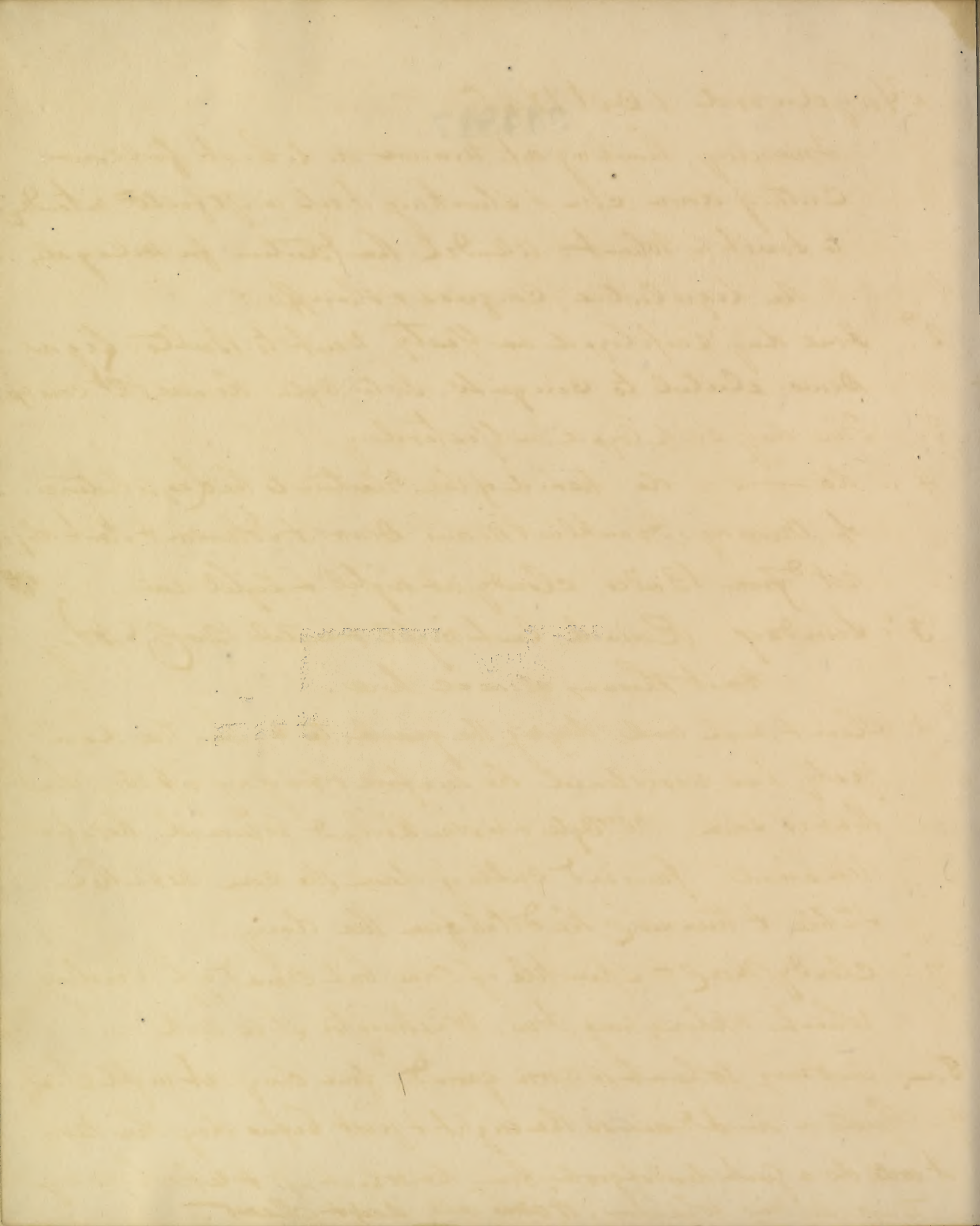
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Haywood 1 Oct 1845.

Fine day, hauling out manure on wheelbarrows  
Cutting down corn & shocking it up in 9<sup>th</sup> field intending  
to sow it in wheat. Attended the Election for delegates  
to the Legislature, Congress & Sheriff.

2<sup>d</sup>. Fine day, employed as yesterday. Went to Bulco. fig on  
Beans. elected to Congress. Sister Ogle, Rosalie & R. Come up.

3. Fine day employed as yesterday.

4. do — do heard of the Election to the Legislature  
of Murray, Franklin & Maria Dennis & Johnson & Hunt being  
ret<sup>d</sup> from Bulco. Cloudy at night & light rain.

5<sup>th</sup>. Sunday. Rained last night & until 12 o'clock today,  
but Thomas dined here.

6. Clear & high wind, drying the ground too much. The Rain  
yesterday has moistened the surface & bringing up the wheat  
that is sown. W. Ogle & her son Richard returned. Rosalie  
remained. finished cutting down the corn next the  
stable & turning the ditch from the dairy.

7<sup>th</sup>. Cloudy moon & sprinkle of rain but cleared off. Seeding  
wheat & ploughing it in. Washington still sick. —

8<sup>th</sup> — Seeding wheat in corn ground. fine day. at night cloudy

9<sup>th</sup>. Quite a hard rain in the night & first before day this morn.  
it will do a great deal of good. bring the wheat up & refresh every  
thing seeding wheat. warm all day & clear.

10 Oct 1845. Finished seeding the corn ground we  
intend putting in wheat. Was stopped in our outdoor  
work at 10 o'clock AM by the rain which contd off to all  
day. Stopped in the city when Mr. Cooke & the girls & myself  
went to Capt. Mayo's. Commenced raining again at 9 o'clock  
PM.

- 11<sup>th</sup> Raining all day. Cleaning out wagon stacks & quite warm.
12. Sunday. It has been raining hard all night Wind  
S.E. It is raining in Toronto now at 8 o'clock AM.  
There is a Frost in the Pasture the only one we have  
had since last Winter, which is uncommon. Cleared  
off about one o'clock PM. & the evening was very fine.
13. Hauling out manure on wheat fallow. Doing Sunday  
jobs on the farm. Georgiana & the baby went to Bath.
14. Employed as yesterday. crop ploughing fallow. fine day.
15. Finished hauling out manure & crop ploughing fallow.  
Blowing hard from NW.
16. Fine day. Ice in the bucket at the Spring this morning.  
Got out 14 bus. seed wheat red chaff. & harrowing wheat  
fallow. repairing post & railing fences.
17. Uncommon white frost this morning. I do not  
recollect ever seeing so heavy a white frost  
this time of the year. Every thing that could be



bitten has been killed. It has been warm & very pleasant all day Mrs. Cooke & some of the girls spent the day at the Red M. Harrison. Georgiana & the baby at. Last night. Finished seeding wheat at dinner, having sowed 28 bu. Mediterranean wheat in the Walnut tree field -  $70\frac{1}{2}$  do. do. in the Quarter field and  $12\frac{1}{2}$  do Redchaff in the same field making  $110\frac{1}{2}$  Bushels & half a bushel of New York "  $\frac{1}{2}$  wheat given me by B. Campbell 111 Bushels. Sown in lot at James' cottage.

18<sup>th</sup> Repairing post & rail fences &c hauled in some corn hauled wood to house & left in very fine day. Wind - each came up tonight.

19. Sunday. Very warm fine day. W.M. Let. & Thos. Ellen & doct. walking to Cann. here. -

20. Fine day. Cutting down the Corn in the meadow on Patience. The pumpkins in the meadow are very large & abundant but a great many are green & the vines are killed by the late frosts. -

21. Cloudy Mon<sup>y</sup>. blowing hard at N. the appearance of the weather & early prevented Mr. Cooke & myself from going to W. Dalc's in Washington Co. It however cleared off & the



day was clear & cold with high wind. Gathering  
the Pumpkins & securing them in frost heaps from the  
frost to night. Planting out young Peach Trees  
in the field south of the Garden. - Doct. Worthington  
& Ellen went home this morn'g. They have been with  
us since Sunday. -

22<sup>d</sup>. Clear fine Morn'g. Very cold Ice on the ponds this Morn'g  
& whenever the ground is soft it is frozen. Leave home  
this Morning for W. Dales in Washington Co. with Mr.  
Cooke, Catherine, Mary & Addie. Had to take a load  
of Doct. Worthington's wine, This being Cane.  
Sowing corn in meadow on Patuxent.

Nov. 6. 1845.

Returned from W. Dales in Washington Co  
with Mr. Cooke, Kate, Mary & Addie. all well &  
found our family here all well. James has been  
engaged in securing the pumpkins grown among the  
corn in the meadow on Patuxent, digging Potatoes, a  
short crop, the quality good. - & making fodder house  
Getting our few Hogs up. 46 in number. & has been  
ploughing next years Corn ground at the bottom  
of the Garden, & commenced husking the meadow corn.  
7. husking meadow corn & ploughing, hanging new gate &c.  
Sunday. -

On the 1<sup>st</sup> Nov 1845. I was at Col. Wm. Fitzhugh's  
Washington Co. in company with Mr. Housingsworth, W Dale  
&c. The day was very warm the Therm. standing in the  
Porch out of the sun at 80° in the evening we had a gust  
with lightning & thunder. it rained all night & until one  
o'clock &c on Sunday, when we returned to W. Dale's.

8<sup>th</sup> Nov. Drizzling rain all day, ploughing corn ground  
cleaned out stalls, &c. hauled wood too wet to burn corn.  
Mr. C & most of the family dined at Doct Thomas'.

9<sup>th</sup> Sunday. Snowing all day, until 9 o'clock at night  
& blowing a gale from the North all the time. The snow  
very wet, & melts most as fast as it falls. I have never  
seen so violent a snow storm so early in the fall. Mr. Thomas  
was kept here all night.

10<sup>th</sup> Clear morning wind NW. though the ground covered lightly  
with snow. Putting <sup>wood</sup> ploughing corn ground. —

11. Hauling & hauling in the corn from the Patent meadow.  
Ploughing corn ground fine day

12<sup>th</sup> Employed as Yest. fine <sup>day</sup> the Indian Successor, Col. Powl died here.

13. Finished the corn in meadow & corn? putting the corn in field over  
owning ~~and~~. fine day.

14. Employed as Yest. fine day there was an Eclipse of the Moon last night.  
The Matlack. came up this Ev.

15. Nov. 1845. Hauling in Corn from field over Owings Road.  
Ploughing corn ground in field at the bottom of the  
Garden. very fine day. Shooting partridges with Mr Matlack.
16. Sunday. Fine day. Rev. W. Von Bokelen & the Rev. Mr. Waters  
dined here. Rich<sup>d</sup>. Oyle came up with the carriage after dinner.
17. Fine day. R. Oyle, Rosalie & my daughter Georgiana  
went to Bel Air. hauling in corn & ploughing corn ground.  
Mr Matlack left this morning. -
18. Very fine morning hauling in corn I am going  
to Baltimore this morn<sup>g</sup>.
19. 20. 21. 22. Very fine weather finished hauling in &  
husking the corn from the field over Owings Road.  
a very poor crop, so many rubbings.
23. Sunday. Rain last night & this morn<sup>g</sup> cleared  
off about 11 O'Clock.
24. Ret<sup>d</sup> from Balt<sup>o</sup> this morn<sup>g</sup>. husking corn in field  
by the stable. soon after dark this Evening, my  
daughter Julia's clothes caught on fire & ~~burned~~  
in a blaze when she got home. I succeeded in  
smothering it but not until I had burnt my left  
hand very much & some of her clothes burnt up.  
Thank God it was no worse. She might have lost her  
life if I had not have been at hand or much disfigured.



25 Nov 1845. Last night was very cold & it is quite cold to day. Getting wood & ploughing corn round - doing some stone work about the washhouse. Rev Wmms Harrison dined here.

26. More mild employed as yesterday. Annie came home

27. Foggy morning. about 10 O'Clock Am. the wind came out from NW & blew a Gale all day & turned very cold, hauling in corn. ploughing corn ground. Clear at night wind NW.

28. Clear & cold the therm at 10 O'Clock Am at 32°. husking corn, ploughing corn ground. The Carpenter that has been repairing the wash house & sundry jobs finished <sup>Carp.</sup> this Ev. also the Stone Mason who has been here since Tuesday. Chas Kraft came up with Annie & Et this morning at 12 O'Clock.

29. Very cold morning hauling wood to house & grs. the ground froze too hard to plough. The therm. 28° at 10 O'Clock Am. Commenced snowing moderately about 4 PM & cont. until dark. William came from Ballo this Ev.

30<sup>th</sup>. Sunday. cloudy & damp.

1 December 1845. Raining, hail & freezing until 1 O'Clock PM. when it cleared off. doing in doors work & William returned early this morning.

2. Clear wind high at NW. hauling wood to house & granaries. James Cook went to Battenhead.

3<sup>rd</sup> Oct. 1845. Cloudy Morning & commenced snowing at 10<sup>th</sup> PM & cont. to dark, husking Corn. Killed a beef very good.

4<sup>th</sup>. Snowed again this morning, very cold hauling wood to house & quarters. Mr. Piper & son came here in the night of 2<sup>d</sup> having been looking at several farms for sale in the neighbourhood.

5<sup>th</sup> and left here this morning. Cut up & salted the beef it cut up very fat & fine. drizzling & freezing at night.

5<sup>th</sup>. Clear fine day & cold wind NW. cutting wood, preparing the tubs &c for my pork sent a load of wood to M. S. at Ellerslie Mill.

6<sup>th</sup>. Clear & cold, hauling wood to house & quarters this 20<sup>th</sup>.

7<sup>th</sup>. Sunday. Clear & cold. Therm. 20<sup>th</sup> at 8 0<sup>th</sup> AM.

8<sup>th</sup>. Raining lightly in the morning cloudy & damp all day & freezing at night cutting wood & hauling to house & quarters. Had the Wagon horses shod.

9<sup>th</sup>. Foggy early in the morning, cleared off quite warm the Therm. 46<sup>th</sup> in the Piazza at 12 0<sup>th</sup>. Hauling wood & preparing to skin hogs in the morning. Mr. Cooke went to Ellerslie this morning.

10<sup>th</sup>. Very fine day. Killed my hogs 45 in number.

11.<sup>th</sup> Very cold today. cut up my hogs weighing  
5.175. <sup>lb</sup> av. <sup>3</sup> 115. <sup>lb</sup> 7. One raised about the house &  
Garden by my little son Addie & servant Alexander  
weighed 283<sup>lb</sup> another 270<sup>lb</sup> part of them were  
small but fat & nice meat.

12. Fine day. hauling wood to house & quarters salted  
my meat by dinner. put Hay in the stable loft. Got  
~~a~~ a barrel of flour. Hara the weaver brought my <sup>people's</sup> ~~clothes~~  
clothes home. Therm. this Morn. at 8 O'Clock 20°.

13. Fine day cold morning at 8 O'Clock Therm. at 18°  
sent corn to mill hauling wood &c.

14.<sup>th</sup> Sunday. Snowed & hailed enough to cover the  
ground last night & it is raining this Morn &  
has continued all day. Therm. at 34°.

15. Fine clear <sup>morning</sup> day, husking corn from the shocks in  
the quarters field half of it being in corn. Therm. 40°  
at 8 O'Clock in the piazza hanging against the side  
of the house. - clouded up in the evening turned cold  
& rained a little at night.

16. Blowing a gale all night from N.W. Clear this Morn.  
wind too high to husk corn as the fodder would blow off  
cutting wood. Mr. Cooke confined to the bed with a bad cold.



17 Dec 1845. Cloudy. Morn & calm. Thermo.  $32^{\circ}$  at 8 o'clock.  
during the day it thawed a little. hauling wood  
to house & quarters. Getting Ice that was caused  
by the Fresh on last Sunday on Mt. Gaithers meadow  
banks, floating it down to this side of the River, it  
is very good about 4 inches thick & if a Rain does not  
come on shall half fill my Ice house. W. looks  
better today.

18. Light rain most of the day. Hauled all the Ice  
we secured Yesterday. 12 loads, 6 waggon & 6 ox cart  
load, very large ones. I took canoe home, & W.  
Dale & W. Mallack came from Ballo. Thermo.  $38^{\circ}$ .

19. Cloudy. cutting wood. Thermo.  $32^{\circ}$  -  $120^{\circ}$   $28^{\circ}$  at 8 o'clock.

20. Clear & very cold. Thermo: at  $10^{\circ}$  at 8 o'clock a.m. being  
the Coldest morning thus far this winter. cutting  
hauling wood to house & gr. divided at Dod Thomas.

21. The coldest day this winter Thermo. at 9  $1/2$  at 8 o'clock a.m.  
Sunday.

22. Cloudy morn & cold. Went to Ballo, with W. Mallack  
W. Dale went home. hauling Ice. very fine.

23. Hauling wood to house & gr. more moderate.

24. Came from Ballo with my son William this Evening Snow  
this morning about an inch. at night cloudy.

25. December 1845. Christmas. Went to church, the  
 weather more moderate. Doct Thomas  
 & his two youngest children + Mr Benj Williams dined here
26. Colder than Yesterday the thermo. at  $30^{\circ}$  at 8 o'clock AM  
 my son William had to return home to Bates this morning.  
 the people have holiday until Monday.
27. Clear & cold thermo  $24^{\circ}$  at 8 o'clock a Holladay
28. Sunday, clear & mild thermo. at  $40^{\circ}$  at 11 o'clock
29. Mild day. hauled wood in the morning & ice in the eve.  
 cutting ice off the mill race, where it is very good
30. Cloudy & mild - hauling ice. Thermo.  $40^{\circ}$  dined with Mr Williams <sup>3 o'clock</sup>
31. Clear fine day, hauling ice off the mill race. 8 o'clock  
 AM. Thermo.  $34^{\circ}$  broke my Waggon body - borrowed  
 Chancellor's Plow.
- 1 January 1846. Clear & cold. Thermo.  $26^{\circ}$  at 8 o'clock AM  
 hauling ice with waggon & cart.  
 The family dined at Doct. Thomas.
2. Rained hard last night which has taken a great  
 deal of the frost out of the ground. finished hauling  
 the ice I had cut off the mill race which fills it nearly  
 full. The family dined at Mr Morris. Dr. Thomas blowing  
 hard. Thermo.  $50^{\circ}$  at 8 o'clock
3. Thermo.  $40^{\circ}$  at 8 o'clock blowing hard. hauling wood. My daughter  
 Ellen ret. home, has been here since Christmas. E. Kraft ret.

- 4<sup>th</sup> Jan'y 1846. Fine nice day, like a Spring day.  
Sunday - Therm at 12 O'Clock 50°. a great many Robins  
Have blue birds flying about.
5. Jan'y clear fine day, very white frost Therm  
at 8 O'Clock Am. 34°. hauling wood & getting  
ready to thresh wheat to morrow. went to Balto.
6. Getting out wheat until stopped by the Rain which  
continued all day.
7. Rained part of the day. Securing Shaws &c.
8. Clear fine day. Getting out wheat, let<sup>o</sup> from Balto. the  
frost is out of the ground. -
9. Very fine morning, but by 11 O'Clock Am closed up & snowed  
thru. Snowed a night but again clear by 10 O'Clock pm  
finished the wheat in the Barn, put the straw in a rack &  
filled the Cattle Rack in farm yard went to Steiner's Mill.
10. Cloudy & cold. Therm: 30°. at 8 O'Clock Am. hauling wood  
to house & quarters. Clear in the Ev'g. wind N.W.
11. Sunday. clear fine day.
12. Cloudy morning but cleared off a fine day. hauling wood  
to house & put 2 stacks of wheat in the Barn. Sent L<sup>th</sup>  
Dyghman and the ~~Wife~~ Williams: dined here. Therm. 30°. at Noon.
13. Clear fine day. 8 O'Clock Am. Therm: 28°. - Getting out wheat.



14 Jan 1846. Fine day. Putting out wheat.  
Therm  $30^{\circ}$  at 8 o'f. A.M.

15. Fine day. putting wheat in the Barn. 8 o'f. Therm  
 $32^{\circ}$ . Kate & Jane, going to Balto. —

16. Raining most all day. hauling wood. dined at  
doct Thomas. Mr. & Mrs. Hazlehurst & Mrs. Moore there.

17. cleared off about 10 o'f. A.M., but clouded up again  
Mrs. Cooke & some of the children spending the day at  
doct Worthingtons. met the trustees of the primary School  
hauling wood &c. the post out of the ground. Therm.  $40^{\circ}$   
at 8 o'f. A.M. Cloudy & cool. Snowed & rained  
at night.

18 Sunday. Clear & cold, wind N.W. a slight sprinkle  
of snow on the ground. Therm.  $16^{\circ}$  at 8 o'f. A.M.

19. Clear & cold, Putting out wheat. Doct Thomas, Mr.  
Hazlehurst & Mrs. Moore & the Thomas. dined here  
Therm. at 8 o'f. A.M.  $20^{\circ}$

20. Cloudy Morn'g. Therm  $18^{\circ}$  at 8 o'f. A.M. Putting out  
wheat. securing the shaw &c. Georgia & H. & Ogles  
came up from Bel Air.

21. Snowing this morn'g. until daylight, then hail & rained  
until near 12 o'f. A.M. Snow about 6 or 7 inches deep.  
hauling wood & attending to the Stock.

22 Jan'y. 1846. Very fair clear day. The family  
dined at Doct. Thomas'. hauling wood &c.,  
Fine sleighing, — Thermo. 18°

23 " Hauling wood, fine sleighing — Thermo. 20° at 8 a.m.

24 " " " " " " " 28° " "

R. Ogle went home, he has been here since 20<sup>th</sup>

25. Sunday. very warm, wind SW. went to church in  
the sleigh, Good sleighing, but in coming  
home it was very bad. my son William dined  
with us, but left to Wales in the evening. Doct  
Worthington wife & child went home this Ev'g. Thermo. 50°

26. Thawing all night, snow most all gone. Thermo. 45°  
at 8 o'clk! Am. wind. Warm. hauling wood &c

Mrs Cooke part of the family help dined at Col. Capron's

27. The wagon & two hands at Doct Worthington's  
all day hauling Ice. Hung up my meat to smoke  
cloudy & damp all day. Thermo. 50°.

28. Felling straw racks. repairing fence between Church  
Blund's woods & mine. froze last night. Thermo. 46° at 8 o'clk.

29. Cloudy & cold morn. more moderate during the day.  
Husking corn out of the field adjoining the Stable. 32° at 8 o'clk.

30. more moderate husking corn. plowed peach trees.

31. a perfect spring day. the bees out & the frost out of the

ground, the people working with their coats off  
& the doors of the House all open. hauling wood.  
in the evening several light showers, but fine sun set.

My son William & Mr. Ryan came from Balls, at night.

1<sup>st</sup> February 1846. Snowed this morning about 8 o'clock  
enough to cover slightly the ground, but it mostly was  
gone by 10 o'clock P.M. Therm 28° at 9 o'clock a great difference  
from yesterday. — Mr. returned. Sunday.

2<sup>nd</sup> Cloudy & chilly all day. hauling wood, getting out  
posts for fencing. Ther. 28°

3. Damp, cloudy morning, cleared off in the evening quite warm,  
clearing a piece of low land for meadow, hauling the wood  
off the same, it was partially cleared some years since. —

4. Hauling the corn fodder from the meadow on Saturday  
mild clear day. Clearing also as yest. 9 o'clock P.M. Therm 30°

5. Fine mild day. Employed as yest. Dined at Mr. Thomas'.

6. do - do - do - " Thomas family dined here.

7. It commenced snowing before day & continued until  
11 o'clock A.M. very fast, but the ground being open it melted  
a great deal but lay about 4 inches after it stopped - cloudy  
all the evening & thawing. doing in door work. Ther 32°

8<sup>th</sup> Sunday. Clear fine morning. Wind N.W. froze last night.

Thermometer in the piazza against the House 36° at 8 o'clock P.M.  
It snowed in the middle of the day & the roads very deep. —



- 9 Feb 1846. Cold morning. Thermo.  $20^{\circ}$  at 8 o'clk AM  
Cleaning up wheat in Barn. cutting rails -  
Abraham sick - with cold. Thawed very little.
- 10<sup>th</sup>. Clear fine morning Thermo.  $26^{\circ}$  at 8 o'clk. Abraham better  
delivered 79 bus. 19<sup>th</sup> wheat. it yields badly, setting  
rails &c.
11. Chaffing wheat in Barn. cutting rails & wood Thawing  $36^{\circ}$
12. Clear fine morn. Cleaning up wheat & delivered  
cutting wood trails. Thermo  $30^{\circ}$  at 8 o'clk. Ben Sick -  
Miss Williams, Julia better. - Delivered 71 bus. wheat -
13. Clear & cold, cutting wood trails, delivered 47<sup>th</sup> bus. of wheat  
Ben Sick. Doct Thomas house took fire from the  
Chimney. but was put out after burning the roof a  
little, if it had been at night the house must have  
been lost. We cant be too careful.
14. Cloudy & cold, Thermo.  $28^{\circ}$  Snowing from 2 o'clk PM  
until 10 o'clk PM high wind from S.E. & to N.E. Raining  
at 10 o'clk PM. Hauling wood to house & grs.
- 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday. The ground covered with snow & ice, Cloudy  
several snow showers.
16. Cloudy most of the day. The W. & Clear & more moderate  
Cleaning up wheat & cutting wood trails. The cows are having  
cambly, bad weather further. Thermo.  $28^{\circ}$  at 8 o'clk AM.

- 17 Feby 1846. Cloudy Mornf & cold, but moderated & thawed in the middle of the day. I have never seen the roads so bad - delivered 61 bus. wheat. Ther  $32^{\circ}$  80°
18. Colder than yesterday - another sprinkle of snow last night Ther. at 8 o'clock AM  $30^{\circ}$  husking corn, standing in the shocks.
19. Cloudy & cold Wind N. Ther.  $30^{\circ}$  at 8 o'clock but two stacks of wheat in Barn. Hauling wood to house & gr. - Commenced snowing violently from N.E. at 4 1/2 o'clock PM & continued, when I went to bed after 10 o'clock PM, with high wind N.E.
20. Cloudy Mornf & more moderate Ther. at  $34^{\circ}$  at 9 o'clock It rained violently during the night & everything this Mornf is in a muck. Snow 4 inches after the Rain, doing in door work, until the 20th when we went to cutting rails.
21. Clear fine morning wind N.W. Ther.  $34^{\circ}$  at 8 o'clock AM Saw going to Baltimore. - Hauling wood to D. V. Poolhouse.
22. Sunday. Anniversary of Washington's birth day. dined with Col. Davies in Baltimore.
23. 24. 25. 26. Clear fine weather tho' cold. 28 snowing all day. Commenced last night.
- 1 March 1846. Sunday. Snowed until 2 o'clock PM. The snow about 16 inches deep. Still in Baltimore.
2. Came home this Mornf. Cloudy & cold, the last three days I have been unwell with Rheumatism.





16. Cloudy & chilly. went to Balto, to see my brother William who ret<sup>d</sup> from Wilmington Del: sick where he had been with his son James, of whose death we heard today in Balto, by the return of his Mother & Mrs. Tilghman - He died Sat night -  
Telling rails &c.
17. in Balto. fine day. husking corn, that was left in shocks in the marsh field, it has kept perfectly well - fine day tho windy.
18. Very fine day. Employed as yesterday Abraham Sick. - ret from Balto.
19. do. finished the corn, it turned out well. -
20. do Hauling rails to repair fencing. Mauling do - very warm
21. a most last night & Gale of wind from W. & turned cold - Mauling rails &c. at Washington & John, sell their brooms &c.
- 22<sup>d</sup>. Sunday. Clear & cold. Therm. at 40° -
- 23<sup>d</sup>. Fine day. hauling rails to fences. Mauling do. Cleared up & delivered <sup>bag</sup> 38-18<sup>th</sup> wheat at 105¢, sold the Tilghman here.
24. Cloudy & drizzling all day. Got out a stack of Mediterranean wheat, rickled the straw, shauled some woods. -
- 25<sup>th</sup>. Very heavy rain all night, a fresh in Patuxent. Mauling rails. Cleared up & delivered the wheat bag. 12 bu. 12 @ 105¢ putting up Garden pickles. - It has yielded better than any.
- 26<sup>th</sup>. Mauling hauling rails &c. fine day.
27. Went to Balto. gave Cook Employed as yesterday. 28 Raining.

- 29<sup>th</sup> March Sunday. Fine morn<sup>g</sup>. Rained at night
- 30 " went to Leasington from Bales. ploughing corn & 1
- 31 " Ret. to Bales from Leasington fine day. Dr. Bee.
- 1 April, Fine day. cool in the morn<sup>g</sup>. ploughing Oats ground  
over Dring's road. Came from Bales. Annie came with the
- 2<sup>nd</sup> " Fine day. Employed as yest<sup>y</sup>. Repairing garden fence, &c.
- 3 " Very white frost this morning. Employed as yest<sup>y</sup> sent  
to the Mules after Candles sent from Bates &c. —
- 4<sup>th</sup> Fine day. ploughing Oats ground Repairing fence &c.
- 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday. fine day. very white frost
- 6<sup>th</sup> Fine day. ploughing corn & put a stack of Oats in Barn  
dried with Annie & two Monies.
7. Fine day. finished ploughing the field over Dring's road for  
Oats. Washington & Buck, both sick. John got out this Morn<sup>g</sup>.  
He has had the Measles. Gardening —
- 8, Cloudy Morn<sup>g</sup>. a slight rain & the wind came out at N.W. & chafed  
off. Rain much wanted, got out Oats for seed until the Machine  
broke. Washington, Buck & Jake & Alfred all sick in the Measles.
9. Fine morn<sup>g</sup>. Comm<sup>d</sup> sowing Oats in the field over Dring's road.  
Gibbs laid up this Morn<sup>g</sup>.
10. Fine Day. Sowing Oats. Several of children at the quarter taken  
with the Measles. Miss M<sup>rs</sup> Connolly, to work on the farm  
while the boys are sick.

- 11<sup>th</sup> April 1841. Cloudy morn<sup>g</sup>. but cleared off Rain near  
none wanted, finished sowing Cat & by breakfast in the field  
over Goring Road, it took 43 bushels. hawking fodder from  
wheat field, day to State, Got a barrel of Flour. —
- 12<sup>th</sup> Easter Sunday. Rained a little last night, enough  
to barely lay the dust. Cloudy morn<sup>g</sup>. many real fish  
making 5 grown people - Mr Matlack & my son William  
came from Batts, but returned in the Evening, coming from Church  
it rained quite hard & I got wet. cleared off in the Evening. —
13. Clear fine morn<sup>g</sup>. not very cold. a Holiday. attended a meeting  
of the Vestry. the sick better. dined at Doct Thomas, very cold night.
14. a Holiday. Ice this morning - the sick better. went to  
Elliot's mill this morning, & found that my negro man Abraham  
has been beaten last evening by Mr Davis & K. D. Harden  
his head cut in two places over his eye. & afterwards swore  
that he had struck Davis & the Magistrate Bradenbaugh. had him  
whipped. Jas. Isaacs witness to the assault at Forest's house. &  
says Mr. Rochester he thinks saw Harden strike him. Isaacs  
did not, but upon accusing H. of having done it he acknowledged  
it & he & Davis both said they intended taking him & murdering  
him that night. Isaacs protected him home. Holidays and tonight.
15. Clear morn<sup>g</sup>. wind high at NW. not as cold as yest<sup>r</sup>. putting Cat  
in the rows in wheat field & the Corn was shocked. —



I have brot suit against Davis & Harding. Geo Jones  
Thomas MacCrea. Mr Rhoads. J. H. Jones. witnesses.

16. Cold morning. Ice, very dry. Rain never was more wanting.  
ploughing the part of the meadow on Patuxent we had in  
Corn, intend putting it in Oats. —

17. ploughing Meadow on Patuxent for Oats until dinner  
afterwards got out the Oats we had in the Barn. Cloudy  
Morn but cleared off warmer than for some days, Rain very  
much wanted.

18. Sowing Oats in Meadow Nick Connolly sowing, Abner  
not able to sow it. Cleaned up some Oats. Feeding the  
There is a black bird feeding on the lawn, that has but  
One foot. It is the 3<sup>d</sup> year it has been here.

Put the sheep in the field south of the garden — Jubbing &  
the Red Mr. Von Borelen came here this Morn. He preaches at  
Christ Church Tomorrow. —

19. Sun day. High wind & dry. 71<sup>st</sup>. Ogle came up today. —

Hearing & several of the colored children sick —

20. Finished ploughing the part of the meadow on Patuxent  
we had in corn sowing it in Oats. it took 38 bushels & is in fine  
order. commenced harrowing Corn ground. sowing clover seed on the  
Oats in the field over George's Road.

21. Employed as yesterday. very dry. never saw it so much so this time

of the year. Great many of the Negro children sick &  
also Henry in the measles. Abraham also laid up,  
Mr. Ogle at home this morning -

22<sup>nd</sup> Employed as by ty. hazy morn. but cleared off  
Going to Bales.

23. Very dry laying off some ground sowing clover seed.

24<sup>th</sup> do - Planting corn, but people sick.

25 - cloudy most all day. Eclipse of the Sun - finished  
planting in corn all the ground we had ready. The sick-  
ness of my people from the measles has put me back  
in our farm work very much. Came from Bales. William  
& Geo Bird came up with me. Raining moderately at night.

26. Sunday. Raining moderately. already every thing  
looks reseeded & blooming.

27. Fine day after the Rain, which altho light has  
done great good to the wheat, grass & the oats coming  
up. Getting the rest of the field ready to plant  
corn, grubbing it in Apple Orchard. Mr. W. H. H. in  
dred here

28. Finished ploughing the corn ground in field at the bottom  
of the Garden. Grubbing in Apple Orchard. Raising corn  
ground. commenced Raining at dark.

29. Raining all day, most of the morn. had thunder & lightning at  
night.

cleaning out stable, &c Shelling corn.

30<sup>th</sup> Ploughing in apple Orchard after dinner, too wet in the morn. grubbing along the meadow fence adjoining the Columbia road, repairing post & railing, a very heavy rain about 5 o'clock p.m. but was there from 5 o'clock with incessant lightning & thunder.

Mr. Cooke & several of the family went to Doct. Warrington & were detained all night.

1 May. Rained most of the night & the storm was very severe most of the time. a high fresh in the river today, washing my meadow where we have Cuts. grubbing &c about four o'clock another gust with very heavy rain, causing the river to raise higher than before. in the midst of it Mr. Cooke came home from Doct. Warrington's, being caught on the way. cleared off after five o'clock, but at 9 o'clock P.M. another gust, tho' not much rain.

2<sup>d</sup> May. damp foggy morn. every thing soaked with the rain. grubbing in the meadow on Patuxent.

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday. fine day & warm.

4<sup>th</sup>. Fine day & warm. ploughing in apple Orchard, putting up a new fence in front of the meadow on Patuxent. Julia Emily. Addie & Minnie kept all down in the meadow.



- 5 May. Laying off corn ground in the part of the field at the bottom of the garden not planked. Rubbing & fencing, hauling rubbish off the meadow at the Ice Pond.
6. Clear fine day & hot until the eve. when it clouded up at night. Planted the field at the bottom of the Garden. Meloria is the measles - the others better.
7. Replanting the other part of the field that was washed off by the heavy rains of the 1<sup>st</sup>. ploughing in Apple Orchard. foggy, drizzling. day.
8. Foggy & drizzling day. ploughing in Orchard, rubbing in meadow on Patience. Rain came at night.
9. Cloudy morn, but some sunshine, heavy rain last night, a fresh in the River again, being the third this week. too wet to plough. Mending Roads & fences, hauled wood. in the evening about from 5 to 6 o'clk a great storm with severe lightning & thunder & a most violent rain, washing the land - the vegetables in the Garden & the shut doing a great deal of injury in many respects to the Corn, &c. &c. Raining again at night. Mr. Ant. Thompson died here.
10. Sunday. Cloudy morning. Every thing at & door soaked with the violent rains. Several heavy showers of rain since, the eve. & cleared off with wind at NW. Mr. B. Williams died here.
11. Fine morn. fencing ploughing in Orchard, wind NW & cool. going to Bales.
12. in Bales. Employed as usual. —

13 May 1846 Finished ploughing Orchard, grubbing in  
Meadow on Patent.

14. Harrowing Orchard, oxen employed as yesty. Came from  
Bath. this Evening.

15<sup>th</sup>. Cloudy morning & calm. Raining about one o'clock p.m.  
& continued all the day & raining at odd times. Catharine  
Anna Maria & self dined at Mr Canole's, with Geo. Saunders  
Dorchester family. We had to come home thro' by Port  
A. Pre: the River was too high to cross. —

16. Every thing soaked by the Rain of last night, which  
continued hard most of the night, a great fresh in the  
River, being the Fifth this month. Got a barrel of flour  
cleaning out Stables &c. Sent. of the women sick. & I take  
my daughter Mary in the measles. I have never had so  
sick a family. — Got up yesty from Bales by Rail Road  
Salt. Sugar. Fish, chairs, & a demijohn of Wine. —

17. Sun day. Cloudy foggy morning. cleared off in the Evg.  
a great paper to the South in the Evg.

18. Cloudy morning. the ground too wet to plough. hauling  
out Manure for potatoes. finished harrowing the  
Orchard in the Evg. & commenced laying it off for planting  
when we were stopped by a heavy Rain again, from the N.  
with some hail. My daughter Anna Maria & Gr<sup>d</sup> daughter Elizabeth  
both in the measles. Thus every One that can have them, have

taken them, at least 30 cases. Lucretia, Lavinia  
& Mary, laid up with sore throats, something of the  
scarlet fever.

19. Clear fine day. Wind NW & quite cold, hauling out manure  
on potatoe ground, horse cart broke down. laying off  
loam ground in the Evening. hired a woman to wash  
as three of our women are sick).
20. clear hot planting corn in the Orchard. The Sick better  
received a letter from the Comm<sup>r</sup> of Lotteries, Balto, requiring  
my attendance there. went down in the W<sup>d</sup> car.
21. in Balto. Employed as guesty. hauling out manure on potatoe  
Ground.
22. in Balto. Employed as guesty.
23. Returned at night from Balto, with Wm. Allack. found the  
Sick better. finished planting the Orchard in corn. While in  
Balto. received the appointment of Agent in Balto, from the  
Mess<sup>r</sup> Prime & Co. of New York, the Contractors of the W<sup>d</sup>. Consoli-  
dated Lotteries, for the next fiscal year, & rec<sup>d</sup> their author-  
ity to act for them from the present time. found the Sick better
24. Sunday. Clear moon. & very hot. W<sup>d</sup> B. Williams died here  
at 4 O<sup>cl</sup> P<sup>m</sup>. a very heavy gust of Wind & Rain from the North  
attended with a heavy hail storm, which has done a great deal  
of injury to the wheat. destroyed the Roses & flowers &c in the



The Garden. I never but once, [at Bel Air] saw such large hail in all shapes flat, & oblong long as long as an inch & some quite flat nearly as large as a quarter of a dollar & in quantity as large as pigeon eggs. Yet the damage is not as great as we at first apprehended. Mr. Mathew left us at 6 o'clock PM & my daughter Kate went with him. The thermo. was at 92° & fell during the storm to 67°. Tomatoes all cut down, Peas & other Vegetables much injured. Mr. M.'s Wheat destroyed to a great deal on Canoe, Manor & in that direction. We ought to be thankful for it is no worse here. —

25. Very hot day. Spreading manure on the Potatoe ground, Cutting Potatoes, Sheering Sheep. —

26. finished Sheering Sheep. cutting Potatoes until after dinner when we began planting.

27. finished planting Potatoes. Ploughing corn Very hot therm. 86°.

28. Cloudy foggy Morn. last night at 11 o'clock ~~PM~~ a very heavy gust from NW. with hail severe lightning Thunder & high wind too wet to plough. mending fences, &c. going to Bates.

29. Mending Roads too wet to plough. in Bates

30. do — do. Came from Bates, Cloudy

31<sup>st</sup> May Sunday. Whit Sunday. close damp  
weather part of the day clear.

1 June Wed. Close, damp day. a Holiday.

2 - " Cloudy & damp ploughing Corn & following with  
the hoes. Corn good but grassy. The wet weather  
having prevented our working it. about 6 o'clock PM  
another gust from the west with a great deal of  
lightning & thunder. The wind at 2 o'clock PM 96°.

3. Fine day. Treading in the ground intended to plough for  
wheat in field south of the house adjoining the garden after  
drain ploughing corn. The ground now in good order. James  
returned this evening. He has been to Washington at the Nation  
- al Fair.

4<sup>th</sup> Clear fine day. cooler than for some time. ploughing corn &c.  
& another gust this evening -

5 - Working corn with the plough & hoes. another Rain this eve.

6 - Working Corn as yesterday. Ellen Worthington came here  
also Mr Mallack this Eve. a fine day & no Rain

7. Sunday. Fine cool day. we require such weather, as the  
wheat is in danger from the wet. having had too much  
lately. - Mr. Mallack Et<sup>c</sup> this evening.

8. Cloudy all day but cool, several showers. working Corn  
several of young people from the neighbourhood spent the  
evening here. -

- 9<sup>th</sup> June. Working Corn, Mr. Cooke & Co. self went to  
Ballo.
- 10<sup>th</sup> " Cloudy morn. working corn. -
- 11<sup>th</sup> " Raining again, thinning corn &c.
- 12<sup>th</sup> " Raining again, thinning corn. Rec<sup>d</sup> was worse  
locusts for the scab has already injured it  
very much & may go on & destroy it. Came from  
Ballo this evening -
- 13<sup>th</sup> " Cloudy & thick mist this morn. my Canadian pony  
Jimmy 11 years old died at breakfast time, found  
him succeed to sick on going into the stable this morn.  
died suddenly. He was a fine pony. Thinning Corn.  
Raining all day. The Wheat very much injured -
- 14<sup>th</sup> " Fine day. Cloudy all day a little appearance  
of fair weather in the evening about sunset.
- 15<sup>th</sup> " Working Corn in the Orchard after dinner with the  
Cultivators, & hoeing it in the field at the bottom of the  
garden, thinning it until dinner. Clear & warm after  
breakfast some fog in the morning. Therm. 89° at 10<sup>th</sup>.  
fine & 90° finished & cleared & commenced with the  
Cultivators in the other field which lay S. & N. of the  
Orchard.
- 16<sup>th</sup> " Fine day, some fog in the morn. finished the  
Orchard after dinner, & commenced with the



Cultivators in the other field, which lays it very  
clean & smooth. damp at night but clear.

17. Cloudy damp morning, cultivators running as  
yesty hoeing corn in orchard, planting pump  
- knives among it. also planted the ground we  
had in potatoes last year in pumpknives. I  
am going to Baltimore this morning. —

18. working corn as yesty. cloudy & damp

19. do — do. very hot & clear just in the evening —

20. do do finished the field at the bottom of the Garden  
Commenced on the Orchard very hot, Mr. Coles & Geo. &  
Mrs. Matlack came from Balto with me this evening.

21. Sunday. Clear fine day, wind high at N.W. & very cool for the  
season. It is quite cold at night. Messrs. Williams  
doct Worthington wife & family here, the 32. Anniversary  
of my being married. A sprinkle of Snow this evening

22. Clear & cool this morn. the thermo at 54°. at 7 of. & the  
working corn, the grain ripening fast. a little chisel  
about decid at the quarters last night, from the effects of the  
Meadow — doct W wife went to Balto.

23. Clear & cold morn. thermo. 50° at sunrise. finished working  
corn in the Orchard & getting ready for harvest tomorrow by cutting  
a little in the evening next the sick house. —

24<sup>th</sup>. June 1844. Cutting wheat in quarter field. The  
corn ground fast, fine day not so cool as yesterday.

25<sup>th</sup>. Fine day cutting wheat in the Walnut tree field.  
warmer than yesty. Thermo. at 84°. at 2 o'clk P.M.

26<sup>th</sup>. Fine day. cutting wheat, went to Bales —

27<sup>th</sup>. Cloudy & drizzling in the morning. finished cutting &  
shocking wheat in the Walnut tree field a good crop &  
not much injured from the scab. Mediterranean Wheat  
Returned from Bales, Mr Mallack came up with me.

28<sup>th</sup>. Sunday. cloudy & foggy morn. at night Raining —

29<sup>th</sup>. Cloudy morning, planting out cabbages in the Garden  
& clearing it up, after dinner cleared off straw &  
commenced again cutting wheat in quarter field.

30<sup>th</sup>. Raining most of last night & raining hard this morn.  
cleaning out stables &c — at night raining hard.

1 July. Cloudy morn. The highest fresh we have had in  
the Patuxent River this summer & the 8<sup>th</sup> we have  
had this Spring Summer. It has destroyed a great  
quantity of Hay, & oats on the flats. Cutting wheat

~~2<sup>nd</sup>~~ 2<sup>nd</sup>. Mr Mallack went to Bales.

~~2<sup>nd</sup>~~ 2<sup>nd</sup>. Cutting wheat, but could not bind it up before the  
Evening being too wet from the rain last night. & raining  
too so cloudy, at night. Doct Walling & family came here.

3. July 1846. Rained hard last night, and  
raining hard this morning, a fair prospect  
for destroying the crop of wheat that is in shocks  
& that which is not cut. raining at night

4 July. Rained all day except a little while  
late in the evening. - cutting grass in the garden  
mending the roads. too wet to touch the wheat  
Mr. Mattack came up this morning.

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday. Clear that. Mr. Cooke & Jos. Dale came  
up. a light rain & hard wind from NW.

6. Clear & very hot, the hottest day this summer 90°  
at 4 o'clock PM & 88° at 2 PM cutting wheat in  
front of quarters. Rosalia, George & Annie Cooke  
came from Leicester this morning. Mr. & Mrs. Mattack  
left home & met Joseph Dale.

7. Clear, not as hot as yesterday. finished cutting wheat  
it is a miserable crop, the Scab having destroy-  
ed it.

8<sup>th</sup> Finished binding & shocking wheat, which  
completes the wheat harvest which would have  
been finished by the 4<sup>th</sup>. but for the wet weather.  
Clear fine day. Thermo at 1 o'clock PM.

9. Clear hot. The people have holiday. Thermo. 86°  
at 2 o'clock PM



10. R<sup>c</sup> Kilguman & wife came from Bales. This Morn.  
ploughing pumpkins & potatoes, cutting grass  
in the peach Orchard & about. especially hot  
Thermo. 98° in the Piazza, at 2 O'Clock PM.
11. Cutting hay in the little meadow leading to the  
Ice pond - putting hay cut yesterday in the  
stable loft. very hot Thermo. 99° in the piazza  
at 2 O'Clock PM. It is hanging against the side  
of the house & has no circulation of air except in  
one way. Which may make it hotter. —
12. Sunday. Clear & hot tho' there is a high wind  
from NW. Thermo. 90° in the Hall. —
13. Clear & hot, altho' not as much so as the last three  
days. hauling in hay & filling the stable lofts  
cutting timothy in meadow in front of the stable.  
R<sup>c</sup> Kilguman & wife, went to Dr MacTavish. Dr Moore  
& I dined there. —
14. Employed as yesterday. going to Bales. with Mr & Mrs  
Calum morning warm.
15. Quite cool for the season, cutting timothy & ploughing  
corn in Bales.
16. Fine morning too cold for the season. Let from Bales in the early  
cars. Hacking hay. ploughing corn.

17<sup>th</sup> July. finished stacking the hay in meadow in front of the Stables, 2 large stacks & a large load in the stable loft. Cut the Oats in the wheat ~~where~~ field where the corn was shocked. Cleaning up about the house where the steps were repaired. at night - raining. Wind NE & cool. Therm. 64° in the passage. Ploughing corn.

18. Cloudy Mon<sup>g</sup>. & several light sprinkles, cutting grass in Garden. Ploughing corn. hauling wood & dirt to repair road to house. Therm. 79° at 2 o'c<sup>g</sup> PM in the passage. James Cooke gone to Ballo. Clearing up at 3 o'c<sup>g</sup> PM.

19. Sunday. Raining all the morning. Clear in the Ev<sup>g</sup>. -

20. Cloudy most of the day. working corn. hauled in Oats out the rows in the wheat field where corn was shocked. Cutting grass in Garden & also stacking in the Ev<sup>g</sup>. -

21. Stacking Hay out of the Garden working corn &c. Clear fine day. Going to Ballo. -

22. Raining most of the day. cutting Oats in field over Owens Road. ploughing Corn, a gust at night.

23<sup>rd</sup>. Raining most of the day. too wet to plough corn - cutting Oats. This evening Mr. Benj<sup>l</sup>. Williams was married to my daughter Georgiana, our friends were present. It did not rain, but it was a dark night. Mr. Bowies carriage upset.

24 July 1843. Clear fine day, Col. Borvic & some friends dined here & in the Evening we went to a party at Doct Thomas. a very heavy rain for a short time in the Evening. cool & pleasant afterwards. the Thermo. previous was at  $90^{\circ}$  in <sup>the</sup> passage.

25. Clear fine day, cutting Oats. very hot. Thermo.  $88^{\circ}$ .

26. Sunday. Clear fine day. very hot in the middle of the day.

27. Mr. Williams & Georgiana. left this morning for a trip to the North. Miss Williams our Governess went with them as far as New York on ~~their~~ way home for a vacation. ploughing corn. Gathering up the Oats that are cut.

28. Cloudy & damp. cleared off, employed as yesterday.

29. Do. do. do. very hot a gust in the Evg. Securing Oats & ploughing corn.

30. Very hot all day. Thermo.  $88^{\circ}$  in the passage at 10 o'clock finished cutting Oats in field over Owings Road, ploughing Corn. a Post passed to the N. S. My daughter Mrs. Waltham went home.

31. Very hot day. my son William ret. to Balco. Shocking Oats with all hands. Thermo.  $88^{\circ}$  at 1 O'Clock. P.M. finished the Oats in the field over Owings road, a fine crop.



1 August 1846. Clear & fine day. cut what few Oats were left by the fresher on the meadow on Patuxent. Commenced cutting Timothy in meadow in front of the apple orchard, ploughing corn in apple orchard. Therm. at 8 o'clock in the passage 84°.

2<sup>d</sup> August. Sunday. dicey heavy morning.

3<sup>d</sup> Clear fine day. ploughing corn in Orchard, cutting Hay in front of Orchard. Therm. 80° at 10 o'clock P.M.

4 - Fine day. finished ploughing corn. hauled the Oats out of the meadow on Patuxent, which was left from the fresher only two or cut loads about 20. bus: ought to have been 500.; cutting & cocking hay. in the evening, attended the funeral of the late Gov. George Howard, one of my earliest friends. He died suddenly on Sunday night.

5. Putting up hay in front of Orchard. Very hot. Therm. 87° at 1 o'clock P.M. in the passage. Rain now would be of service.

6<sup>th</sup> Stacking hay &c as yesterday. very hot Therm. 90° at 10 o'clock P.M. commenced cutting the meadow beyond the Barn.

7<sup>th</sup> Finished cutting all my Timothy a very good crop. weeding out the pumpkins & garden. close & hot. Therm. 86° in the passage a light rain in the P.M. a heavy gust passed South.

8. Foggy, close & cloudy morning, cleared off part of the day. cutting the grass about the dairy & the lot by the meat house. the Hay not cured to stack cut yestdy. weeding out pumpkins. Very close & hot. Therm. 86°.

- 9<sup>th</sup> August 1876. Sunday. Clear & very hot. Therm. 90° at One o'clock P.M. in the passage. at 3 o'clock a gust came up & we had a fine rain - It continued cloudy all the evening.
- 10<sup>th</sup> Opened all the day we cut on Saty. It rained hard during last night which has soaked the corn ground. Weeded out the Pumpkins. - planted out Strawberries &c. Hot in the sun. Therm. 84° in the passage.
- 11<sup>th</sup> Working in the Garden until ~~the~~ breakfast. Then went to putting up the Hay. Hot in the sun Therm. 86° in the passage. Mr. Ogle came up, after Rosalie.
12. Foggy morn. finished stacking hay. Hauling in some oats. I am going to Baltimore, Anna Maria going with me to the dentist. Geo & Rosalie went home this morn. & my daughter Melora went with them. - very hot.
13. in Town very hot. Hauled in 10 Shocks of Oats. & got them out, making 93. bus.
14. Hauling in & stacking wheat. excessively hot in Balto. Therm. here 90°.
15. Employed as Yesterday. Rain in P.M. from the West, very hot until then about 60° P.M. Anna Maria & I came from Balto & got in just before the Rain.
16. Sunday. Clear & very hot. Therm. 88° at 1 o'clock P.M. I am gone to Mrs. Ogle,

17. Aug. 1846. Very hot Therm. 88° in the passage. breaking  
up fallow for wheat. hauling in wheat - hauling out  
manure.
18. Fine day, tho' hot in the sun. hauling out manure. grubbing &  
the ground too wet to plough until after dinner, & that on a sod.  
from the heavy rain last evening. Commenced about 7. &  
continued for upwards of an hour. Raining hard all  
the time & accompanied with incessant lightning & severe  
thunder. Doct Thomas & family dined here.
19. Clear fine day. Employed in ploughing fallow, hauling in  
wheat & getting out manure on wheat fallow south of the  
Garden. Therm. 76° at 12 O'clk A.M. dined at Doct Thomas.
20. Hauling in wheat, ploughing & hauling out manure.  
Sowed my Cornish - fine pleasant day. Therm. 75°
21. a light sprinkle of rain about day. not enough to prevent  
the hauling in of wheat. ploughing & hauling out manure.
22. Rained this Morn: <sup>last night</sup> the wheat too wet to haul in.  
Started another plough, the new one I purchased  
Woodcock's Patent. hauling out manure. W<sup>m</sup> came up
23. Sun day. Cloudy & damp most of the day. W<sup>m</sup> & I  
dined with Messrs Willans.
24. Ploughing fallow hauling out manure on the same. grubbing  
&c. Mr. Cooke, Ellen Warrington & self, went to see Mr. Howard, at Mawley  
& dined with the Rev Mr. H. & his wife.



- 25<sup>th</sup> August 1846. Ploughing fallow & hauling out manure, grubbing &c. James Cook & R. Ogle came up last evening from Bel Air. This is my birth day & have completed my Fifty fifth Year. Cloudy & drizzling most of the day & quite cool.
26. Cloudy & drizzling most of the day. Employed as yesterday. Rich<sup>d</sup> Ogle went home this morning.
27. Ploughing fallow & hauling out manure & grubbing. - Cloudy & drizzling in the morning - close hot.
28. Commenced ploughing the 200. house field having finished the one south of the Garden yesterday. close hot hauling out manure.
29. Ploughing fallow hauling out manure. cloudy morning, cleared off, hot in the sun. Thermos. 80° at 106° P.M. in the passage.
- 30<sup>th</sup> Sunday. clear morning, calm & warm, every thing very wet. There were two Gusts during the night, with a great deal of rain. Several of my horses have a sore mouth, & one of the cows sore feet. It is prevailing very much thro<sup>o</sup> the neighbourhood, attributed to the wet weather. — I have been using salt, & now I am using borax & molasses.
31. Ploughing fallow & hauling out manure. my Cows are getting the sore mouth & are slobbering at the mouth. Mr. Williams & Georgiana, ret<sup>d</sup> yesterday from their trip to the Quebec, Niagara &c.



- 13<sup>th</sup> Sept. Sunday. Very hot.
- 14 " Very hot all day, cool at night. Cleaning up  
Oats, harrowing wheat fallow. Thermo at 88° at  
10 O'Clock put it in the sun for twenty five minutes  
& rose to 140° - Buck Sick & Henry
15. Clear shot, getting out seed wheat.
16. do. " went to Balto, harrowing fallow, hauling  
out manure. Ret.<sup>d</sup> from Balto in the evening.
17. Seeding wheat in the field South of the Garden.  
dined with the family at Mr. Ben Williams.  
cooler than for some time.
18. Finished seeding the field S. of the Garden, it-  
took 29 bus: seed & there was a slight rain  
last evening. dined at Doct. Thomas?
19. Mr. Dale wife & daughter returned home.  
harrowing fallow hauling out manure. pleasant  
day. put my 2 young mares in the stable - 5 y<sup>rs</sup> old
- 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday. Fine pleasant day. rode the white  
footed mare.
21. Harrowing the fallow, hauling out manure.
22. Seeding wheat. hauling out manure, grubbing  
in the Tob. house field. Rain wanted
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Employed as guest. Thermo. 75° at 2 O'Clock.



24<sup>c</sup> Sept. Mr. Cooke, Ch<sup>r</sup>. Pennington, Addie & I, went to Mr. Ogles after Meliora. Hauling out manure ploughing wheat fallow &c quite hot.

25. Employed as yesterday.

26. Got out a stack of Oats - & Employed also as yesterday.

27<sup>h</sup> Sunday. Fine day. Let from Mr. Ogles to dinner.

28<sup>c</sup>. Fine day wind high at mid. & very dry. Rain much wanted. I am going to Bates. Those that were sick here are better. Ploughing fallow &c.

29. Fine day. Ploughing fallow, cutting down corn

30. do. do. Let<sup>c</sup> from Bates this day.

1 Oct. 1844. Finished ploughing the cut they were in, & commenced harrowing the fallow. cutting down the corn. Going with the girls to Mr. Morris this evening. Rain much wanted, both for seeding & the early sown wheat.

2. Getting out the rest of the Mediterranean wheat that was in Barn. Harrowing fallow in the Ev<sup>g</sup>. - some appearance of Rain. seeding wheat in the Evening.

3. Seeding wheat, put the stone tile next the Ice pond in, with the cultivators. harrowed in a piece next the Orchard. a slight sprinkle of Rain last night.

4<sup>c</sup> Sunday. cloudy & light rain in the morn<sup>g</sup>. in the Evening a fine rain. Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Williams, Geo.<sup>d</sup> & Kate came up.

- 5<sup>th</sup> Oct. 1846. a Fine day. ploughing fallow, hauling Stone of the same).
6. " Fine day. ploughing fallow, very dry. cutting down corn
7. Fine day, ploughing corn &c. attended the Election for members of the Legislature. no excitement.
8. Fine day. warm for the season. Went to Balto & my daughter Mr. Washington with me. heard of the Election of Messrs. Morris & Munay. Demo. & Johnson Donaldson & Hayden Whigs. Close vote. ploughing fallow &c.
9. In Balto, Very hot for the season. finished ploughing cutting down corn.
10. Came from Balto. harrowing fallow. cooler.
- 11<sup>th</sup>. Sunday. fine day. Mr. Mrs. Williams & Dr. Washington & wife dined here.
12. Cloudy & damp most of the day. harrowing fallow. in the Evening got out a stack of red chaff wheat for seed. Putting away Pumpkins in the cellar. Mr. Corke came up at night.
13. Raining & blowing hard from S. E.
- 14<sup>th</sup>. Fine day. cutting down corn. harrowing fallow in the E. G. Went to Balto. Mary Wynn, & Annie Corke went also.

- 15<sup>th</sup> Oct 1844. Sowing wheat fine day.
- 16<sup>th</sup> — " — Finished sowing wheat. 70 bus.  
in Tobacco house field & 30 in the field South  
of the Garden. all Mediterranean except 30 which  
is blue stem. We have yet the pumpkin & Potatoes  
ground to find.
17. Fine warm day. cutting down corn. Came from  
Balto & Miss Williams and Governor. —
18. Sunday. Cloudy & cold with some Rain from NE  
in the evening cleared off & was cold. —
- 19<sup>th</sup>. Fine clear Morn. a very white frost. cutting down Corn in  
the Orchard — shot some partridges
- 20<sup>th</sup>. an uncommon white frost this morning & quite cold, but  
it turned warm during the morning. finished the Corn  
& commenced setting the traps to off the potatoes, before  
digging them. shot some partridges. with William - they  
are scarce.
21. A fine day - Employed as yesterday - Going to Bales this  
morning Mrs Cooke & Annie going also. — Mrs C did not go
22. cloudy part of the day. a light sprinkle in the Ev.  
cleaning off potatoe ground
23. Digging potatoes. fine day
24. Finished digging potatoes & putting them away. a miserable crop.  
from the lot -



In digging our potatoes, we find there were plenty  
at one time on the vines, but the rot has destroyed them.  
The Rev.<sup>d</sup> W. Billogg wife & her children came up  
from Balto, with me.

25.<sup>c</sup> Sunday. Fine day. Doct Worthington & Mrs. Williams &  
family, dined here.

26. Fine day. ploughing the potatoe & pumpkin ground  
intend putting it in wheat & timothy — grubbing &c.  
dined with Mr. Billogg at Mr. Brown's.

27.<sup>c</sup> Wind & thunder, putting up meadow fence  
on Patuxent. Seeded the potatoe ground &c.  
I am going to Balto. Potatoes ground — 4. Bar:  
Tobacco house 70. do  
Fired South of Ga. 30. do  
104 50

28. Repairing fences &c. commenced burning up Corn  
ground the field next the mill. Rd Mr. Billogg,  
wife & children, with Mrs. Cooke & Addie went to Balto.

29. Employed on 2<sup>nd</sup> & cleaning up the Garden.

30. do. do — fine day.

31. — Raining all day, lightly until the Ev.  
Mrs. Cooke, Addie & I came home in the Ev.

1 Nov. Sunday. Raining all day wind W. &  
high.

2. Raining. I am obliged to be in Balto.

3 Nov. in Balto, cleared off & became very warm  
an uncommon high fresh in the Patuxent & in  
every stream heard from. Repairing fence, &c. in Balto

4. Clear every thing wet, ploughing for corn

5. Raining again, doing in door work &c

6. do — do — do.

7. Raining hard all day & at night came from  
Balto.

8 Sunday. Foggy, Raining.

9. 10. 11. 12 13. 14 Red from Balto. James has been employed  
in getting out corn & ploughing corn for &c.

15. Sunday. Raining.

16. in Balto. ploughing corn ground &c.

17. do — do.

18. Went to Washington Co with Mr Cooke to see Mr Bull  
who is sick, ploughing &c.

19. in Washington Co. ploughing &c. Raining.

20. do — do — do.

21. Ret<sup>d</sup> from Washington Co. left Mr Cooke behind  
Mr Mattlack came from Balto. quite cool. ploughing &c.

22. Sunday. Cloudy & cool.

23. Blowing a gale from NW all night. Mr Mattlack & I  
went to Balto, ploughing & getting in corn

24<sup>th</sup> Nov. 1846. cloudy part of the day. Yesterday Mary Beatty's powder mill blew up, about 4 miles N. of Bales. & the shock here was quite severe shaking the windmills &c five men were killed & great damage done. Ploughing & getting in Corn.

25. Rained hard last night & part of today. Employed as yesterday. at night a violent snow & gull from the North & the ground was soon covered, but blowing a Gale from NW. It was blown off, at 9 o'clock. The clear told. I came from Bales.

26<sup>th</sup>. Clear & cold. the first time this fall the ground has froze. getting in Corn & ploughing.  
"Thanksgiving Day." Doct Walling & Ellen & family. Benj Williams & Geo & Miss Mary died here. at night clear & cold high wind NW. —

27<sup>th</sup>. Obliged to go to Bales this morning. Clear & cold ploughing & getting in Corn.

28<sup>th</sup>. Snow last night, all gone in the morning much warmer Annie Maria & I came from Bales, ploughing & harrowing in Corn, some of negro children sick, taken with a puking

29. } Fine mild morning but it commenced blowing a Gale from  
Sunday } NW & continued all day. Mild sick at Mr Williams — Jake sick here in the same way.



30<sup>th</sup> NW. Fine day husking Corn ploughing &c  
1 Decr. do - do - do -

2, 3, 4 in Balco. Harvest part of the time &  
ploughing &c.

5<sup>th</sup> Went to No vac after Mr Cooke fine day  
James is husking corn & ploughing.

6<sup>th</sup> Sunday. Cloudy & damp & corn? snowing about  
80<sup>th</sup> P.M. & cont'd all night

7<sup>th</sup> Snowing, hailing & raining, Mr Cooke & I came  
home at night found the family had recovered  
from the puking & they had.

8<sup>th</sup> Moving hog pen &c, too wet to ploughing & snow  
most all gone, damp & foggy. — I am obliged  
to go Balco this morning. —

9. 10 - ploughing corn ground hewing wood &c, making  
shelter for cattle —

11. Raining doing in door work &c

12. Clear & colder ploughing &c.

13. Sunday Clear fine day Came from Balco  
Quite cold in the morning &c.

14. Clear & cold, ploughing &c going to Balco.

15. do - do stopped ploughing from the ground  
being too hard froze — getting ready to kill hogs

- 14<sup>th</sup> Dec. 1876. Fine day killed our hogs - I am obliged to be in Bally.
17. Snowing all day & blowing a Gale from NE. Snow drifted in every direction.
18. Much pleasant day after the storm, cutting up & salted my meat, hauling wood.
19. Cold, getting worse.
20. Sunday clear & cold, fine sleeping to church. came home this morning.
21. Cold frosty hard last night, going to Bally, Minnie Kraft & J. Coole also.
22. Fine day, getting worse.
23. do — do very cold.
24. do — do not as cold. William & myself came up at night in a buggy.
25. Christmas. Doct Thomas & family. Ben Williams & Geo. Doct Watlington & Ellen & Andy Johnson dined here.
26. Fine day. I went to see Geo. Redgey who is very sick - a holiday.
27. Sunday, fine nice day. dined with W. Williams. The snow going very fast.
28. a little cloudy, very warm, a holiday. Snow going fast. I am going to Bally.

29. Fine day putting wheat in the Barn &c.
30. do fixing shelter &c for cattle getting wood
31. uncommon warm for the season Raining a little but cleared off employed as yesterday.
- 1<sup>st</sup> Jan'y 1847. Warm & clear like Spring - commenced ploughing again for corn. getting wood &c.
2. Warm fine day ploughing &c.
3. Sunday Warm fine day - I came from Balto.
4. Raining, yet warm for the season. doing in door work I am obliged to return to Balto. <sup>C.S.</sup> Got Ridgely dead during the night
5. Upon getting to Balto. I found my niece Sophia Cooke dying & she died at 7 1/2 o'c' last evening. fine day. ploughing corn ground & getting wood &c.
6. Fine day like Spring. my niece was buried this Morn<sup>g</sup>. ploughed R. at night turning coed &c.
7. Raining hard most of the day & at night snowing & turning cold. doing in door work.
8. Very stormy & cold the coldest day this Winter. getting wood &c our Neighbour Saml Brown died last night
9. cold day tho' milder - getting wood &c.
10. Sunday. Came home this Morn<sup>g</sup>, comm<sup>d</sup> & snowing about 10 o'c' am. & cont<sup>d</sup> all day & snowing at night when we went to bed. attended the funeral of Mr Brown this morning.



- 11<sup>th</sup> Jan'y 1847. Snowed all night & until 7 o'c<sup>l</sup><sup>o</sup>.  
 this morn'g the snow at least 12 inches  
 deep. went to Balls in the sleigh, Catharine &  
 Molly with me. getting wood &c
12. Fine sleighing & very cold. Sleigh w<sup>th</sup> 2 attended  
 Stock &c
13. Employed as yesterday. Thawing very fast
14. Getting wood &c. do. do.
15. do — " do "
16. Foggy morn'g & snow all gone. Employed as y<sup>e</sup>
17. Sunday, very fine morn'g froze hard  
 Came from Ballinacree.
18. Went to Balls. Raining & freezing - getting wood &c
19. Clear, went to Annapolis, colder than yesterday getting  
 out wheat.
20. Clear & cold getting out wheat. Snowed at night
21. Clear & cold, getting ice. w<sup>th</sup> 2 to Balls from Annapolis
22. Clear & cold do —
23. do & more moderate getting ice, it won't be fit  
 after today. Came from Balls, Dr. S. Highman came also
24. Sunday. Fine mild day. W<sup>th</sup> Mr. & Mrs. a Dr. W. & Mr. & Mrs.  
 dined here, cloudy in the eve.
25. Cloudy & damp, cold morn'g. Getting wood, going to Balls

26 getting wood &c

27. Mrs Cooke went to Bales auction with her - people employed as yesterday - cloudy fog.

28 - I went to Annapolis - getting out wheat &c.

29 { Ret<sup>d</sup> Sat<sup>y</sup> evening from Annapolis - getting out

30 { wheat - snowed Friday & blew a gale all day on Sat<sup>y</sup> from N.W.

31 Sunday - Clear fine day & quite nice -

1 Feby 1847. Rained in the morning & something of a sleet but cleared off nice - finished getting out the wheat.

2<sup>d</sup>. Cloudy drizzling & chilly - cleaning up wheat - Geo & Stockette & myself Mrs of the Dist<sup>r</sup> refer to the wife of the late Saml Brown proved the will at the Orphans Court of Howard Dist<sup>r</sup>. the other W<sup>rs</sup> Mrs W<sup>illiams</sup> resides at present out of the State.

3. Blowing hard from S.W., Raining at times - cleaning up wheat.

Going to Bales this morning - several of the children with colds & sore throats. - The gale at 2 o'c<sup>l</sup> was very severe blowing down several fine cherry trees & an old cedar tree in front of the wash house.

4. Getting wood &c.

5. do do &

6. Employed as yesterday & getting ice

7. Sunday fine day.

8 Feb 1847. Delivering wheat at 112¢.

9 " Repairing fences &c

10. 11. 12. 13. getting wood, repairing fences &c

14 Sunday. Fine day. Came from Balto this morn.

15. Fine morning, putting oats in the Barn & I am obliged to return to Balto this morn. Alice has a bad cold the rest of the family, worse, except Mary who is no better.

28<sup>th</sup> Sunday. I have been prevented from getting home before to day. By business & bad weather - in the meantime James has got out the oats &c cutting Rye & posts - getting wood &c. The weather has been very changeable, snow at times & then Rain, no two days alike - It is snowing in Squales & blowing hard

1. March 1847. a complete March day. Snowing in Squales & blowing a gale from NW, froze hard last night bad for the wheat.

2<sup>nd</sup> Mar: froze hard last night, employed as usual I am going to Balto. The cars did not get down & I went with Mr. Gutter in Brown & any all.

3. 4. 5. 6 Rain & fine days, every other day

7 Sunday. Fine morn. but set into Raining about 30¢ & continued all the Ev'g. Dock W & Ellen to Hudson & Ben W & Geo. closed here



8 March 1847. Warm & Hazy. I am obliged to return  
to Matto this Morn.

14 Sunday. Fine day. Came from Matto - from the  
8<sup>th</sup> until this morning there has not been two  
clear days together - we have been hauling rails,  
hauling &c. James & Kate went to Balco yesterday &  
Auntie came home. Charles Pennington came with her.  
Most many of the children & several of the grown servants  
have been laid up from colds &c.

15<sup>th</sup> Fine clear day, froze last night, hauling posts together  
for post & rail fence hauling manure in the garden -  
& hauling for early potatoes. I am going to Balco this morn,  
also Charles Pennington -

21<sup>st</sup> Sunday. Cloudy & sev<sup>l</sup> showers of Rain - quite warm

22<sup>nd</sup> Raining. I am obliged to Balco this morn. -  
The last week has been very favorable, very cold &  
warm, Rain &c - ploughing &c. Several of the family  
very badly cold &c.

17. April 1847. Came from Balco this Morn - very  
cold & dry. Ice for the last three mornings -

18. Very cold, Ice, laying off - Corn ground & straw  
warm weather & rain wanted. ploughing &c.

19. Going to Balco Miss Williams & Melina also

- 10 Apr commenced planting corn & finished the  
 28 " planted the cats as we got them ready -  
 Every thing suffering from the drought.
- 30<sup>th</sup> May some appearance of Rain ploughing  
 meadows in Patience &c
- 1 May too cool for the season employed at night.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> May Sunday. a fine Rain last night & Rain  
 this morn & was cloudy & foggy most of the day  
 came up from Balco in a buggy & Catharine  
 with me.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Fine day & clear every thing looks a freshed from  
 the Rain & the Wheat will be found all that is  
 alive of it. Kate & I am going to Balco this day  
 Seguy came this morn to assist.
- 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 It has been dry all the week, came home tonight
- 9<sup>th</sup> Sunday. Rained a little coming from church
- 10<sup>th</sup> Rained to Balco, quite a good rain last night, which will  
 do a great deal of good. ploughing meadows on the  
 river.
- 11, 12, 13, 14. Mr Mallum & I came up to night 10<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup> very dry.
- James finished to day planting the meadow on the river  
 in corn.
15. Sunday - quite cool in the morn. fine agreeable No late sun what  
 looks midwinter all the day

16. Putting to finishing ploughing the ~~meadow~~ this side of  
the river. It is now in nice order. Mr. Maltby & I return  
this morning.

7<sup>th</sup> June. Came from Ballo Saty night. It continues  
Very dry & there is no prospect of Rain, the Oats  
& Hay crops must be very short not half a crop.  
& the Wheat also has been cut short from  $\frac{1}{3}$  to  $\frac{1}{2}$   
by the dry spring we have had. Corn is well up &  
Clean but round be. benefitted, Vegetables all suffering  
& the Strawberries of which we used to have such  
Quantities, we have none, the late Frost & dry weather  
appear to have destroyed them. I am obliged to  
return this morning to Ballo.

21<sup>st</sup> June. We have had some fine Rain since  
the 7<sup>th</sup> which has improved wheat astonishingly.  
The crop will be a full one of the Mediterranean  
which was sown early. The corn looks well & the  
Oats have much improved, but the Hay crop is woefully  
short. Mr. Cooke went to New castle last Friday.  
a fine rain yest. this morn the weather is  
beautiful. Harvest will consume the loss of this  
week.



26. I came from Bates tonight Mr Locke & family  
ret<sup>d</sup> from their visit to the Rev W B Briggs & family  
at New Castle del. Mr Locke & Mr Wm Maudoch came  
up also - Mr is disabled from service in the office from  
having his thumb & cut - Very hot in town -

27 Sunday - Clear & hot. Ellen & Doct Northgate  
Bruf & Geo. Wms were seen -

28 - Fine clear Morn. Commenced to cut out wheat next  
the Garden. It is very good. Mediterranean, the  
grain fine & straw very clean & nice - began hot  
Thursday but it was too green. It is now in the field  
under several of the trees & full with bowels. Very  
plenty & also some of the children. I have had  
it my help but am getting well. - I am obliged  
to go to Bates this morn -

3 July came from Bates tonight.

4 July Sunday clear & hot

5. Cutting wheat all the week finished the  
Mediterranean wheat a good crop - the red chaff  
bad - I am going to Bates this morn

24 July came from Bates tonight. had several nice horses &  
Every thing is looking well especially the corn.

25 Sunday. Warm Morn. Hot in the middle of the day

A fine rain at dinner time, there was a most severe  
thunder lightning & thunder, the lightning appeared as if it played  
over the dinner table. Cleared off in the evening -

20<sup>th</sup> a beautiful morning, every thing looks fresh & growing.  
Cutting Oats. The late grass has improved. I am  
going to Balto this morning - W.<sup>m</sup> Ball came up & sat with me.  
James Cooke went to Keating town on Friday to attend the  
Democratic Congressional Convention & has not yet returned. -

3<sup>rd</sup> August 1824. Cutting Hay in meadow in front of house  
very poor crop. Fine rain on Sunday at dinner.  
The corn looks fine, Mowing what remains in field  
at the bottom of the garden. Since here this morn<sup>g</sup>  
for Balto with Mrs Cooke & Addie, we intend to go to  
Cape May tomorrow -

21<sup>st</sup> Aug<sup>7</sup>. Mrs Cooke, Addie, my daughter Georgie & myself  
got to Balto to dine from Philade<sup>a</sup>, having left Cape  
May on Friday morn<sup>g</sup> & got to Philade<sup>a</sup> at 4 o'clk - We  
had a very pleasant time, good weather & good company.  
The great crowd had passed off, & about enough left to make  
it agreeable.

26<sup>th</sup>. Mrs Cooke & Addie came home on Monday morn<sup>g</sup>.  
I came out & dined with Georgie Mr Williams this is my birth  
day, & enter upon my 57<sup>th</sup> year.

26 Aug. Went to see Ellen & Mary - found my son James  
had hauled in all the grain a very poor crop of oats & the  
wheat not over a half crop from the straw, the quality is  
fine & may yield well. The corn crop is very good, that in  
the meadow on Paterson as good as I ever saw.

27. James left home this morn<sup>g</sup> for Barkely Springs in  
Va. & I am obliged to return to Bales. ploughing  
fallow for wheat & hauling out manure on the same.

29<sup>th</sup> Sunday. a fine rain on Friday night & some  
yesterday. which helps the ploughing & makes all  
the cattle can. fine day

30<sup>th</sup> Very fine morn<sup>g</sup>. ploughing fallow & hauling out manure  
on the same. I am going to Baltimore this morning

4 Sept. Came from Baltimore this evening. It has been  
very hot all this week as much so as any time this  
summer. James ret<sup>d</sup> from Bath yesterday.

5<sup>th</sup> Sept. Sunday. Hot sultry morn<sup>g</sup> but cooler in the Ev<sup>g</sup>.  
a slight shower at night. a high wind at S W & clear  
afterwards. Ben Pres-William & W. Johnson died here

6<sup>th</sup>. 60 fine morn<sup>g</sup> - Melvin & two other School companions at  
to school. ploughing wheat fallow, grubbing & hauling out manure  
on wheat fallow.



about 8 o'clock a.m.

1847 Oct. 6. My invaluable servant Alexander  
10a, taken with what was considered a cholera, but  
getting no relief the Doct. Worthington was sent for, & was  
here about 10. Every thing failing he sent for Doct. Denny/  
but he was dead before he got here. They opened him, but  
found from the intestines being forced into each other  
that it was beyond the power of Medicine to relieve  
him. He was about 38 years old, & without exception  
was among the best & most valuable servants I ever  
knew. His loss to me is great, irreparable, for I  
cannot expect to see his equal again.

- 6<sup>th</sup>. This is also the Election day in Md for Governor &c - Raining
7. Bates gives 1566 majority for Thomas, Democratic Candidate  
531 Mr Lane for Congress first 15 Wacc94 - Raining
8. Raining all day, at night in torrents with Thunder &  
lightning all night.
9. The highest fresh in all the rivers & branches that was ever  
known sweeping off all the bridges - corn, hay, cattle &c  
In fact every thing within its reach - mile down it - see  
lost all our fodder that was cut in our meadow on Patent  
& no doubt much corn will be also lost. fence, gone &c
9. Came from Bates to night. James has been securing the  
fence &c all day. - cleaning up dead lobsters &c -

10<sup>th</sup> Sunday. fine day. Ben Williams wife dined  
here. W. Matlack came up, & carried  
her sister & Kate down this morning. —

11. fine day. Sowing wheat. putting Cattle in Barn  
hauling out manure. — Thomas Elected Governor

~~12<sup>th</sup>~~

I shall go to Batts this evening. —

~~18<sup>th</sup>~~ 18<sup>th</sup> Sent from Batts, a servant, named John as a  
Coachman, &

~~20<sup>th</sup>~~ 20<sup>th</sup> Engaged Wm. Williams as a Gardener —

finished sowing wheat the 13<sup>th</sup> Oct having  
sown 94 bus, all on fallow land part on

Can fallow laid over at the bottom of the Garden  
the field over Ormby's Road & part of the Quarter field  
which I intend to divide. — put a great deal of  
Manure on this field & sowed 2 1/2 Tons of Guano  
part on the field at the bottom of the Garden, & part  
on the poor part of the field over Ormby's Road. —

~~21<sup>st</sup> digging potatoes. very much rotted —~~

Got out a stack of Oats 92 bus.

22<sup>nd</sup> Dry potatoes to day, very much rotted.

23<sup>rd</sup>. Rained last night a little this morning —

Mr Cooke & the children came up with me this day

They went down with me the 18<sup>th</sup> Sept —  
24<sup>th</sup> Sunday — Cloudy drizzling Rain all day

11<sup>th</sup> Sat. Raining further last two days, stopped the  
more & some appearance of clearing up —  
Came up in the cars. from Gates, harvesting corn  
the Corn House nearly full. a good deal to husk  
out yet & some in the field to haul in. all my crops  
of Irish potatoes have rotted & we are without  
a potatoe which has never before being the case.

12<sup>th</sup> Sat Sunday. drizzling all day & at times raining  
quite hard. — Mr Worthington came to see Annie  
who is suffering from the Rheumatism in her back  
& back to dine. —

13<sup>th</sup> ploughing corn ground, hauling in corn,  
heavy foggy weather & every appearance of more  
rain. I am obliged to go to Wales. —

18<sup>th</sup> Saty night 8 O'Clock I came from Baltimore at this hour  
& in a few minutes after I got in the House Peggy Mace died  
She had been sick since last Monday & she had a slight  
paralysis which probably was brot on from <sup>the</sup> cold & impudence  
She had lived in our family about 30 years. & was of great  
value in a family & they is little over 3 months. has it



It pleased the Almighty to afflict us in the loss of two valuable members of our household. We are not permitted to think but that this for some wise & salutary purpose, & as such, may it prove availing to us to be always ready.

19 Sunday. Cloudy & looking like snow a sad & gloomy day here.

1 Jan 1843. I came home this Evening - the family dined as usual at Doct Thomas'. I have been & still am suffering from a violent cold the last week - another year has passed & what a mixture of pleasing & sad events does it recall to our minds. Every moment here reminds me of the great loss we have sustained in our family among our servants. God grant it is for some good to us in the End; I trust we may profit by it - I had written the above when I found I had neglected to record the 25<sup>th</sup> Dec. Christmas on that occasion all of our family dined here, & Mr. Pennington came up with William. It snowed all day was very cold, W<sup>m</sup> & Ch<sup>s</sup> & W<sup>m</sup> Sunday Ev<sup>g</sup> the 26<sup>th</sup> the ground covered with snow. 31 Dec<sup>r</sup>. was the most foggy day I ever saw, carrying on the snow with it.

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday fine day. Jas Cooke went to Bato

3<sup>rd</sup>. Fine day putting away the hicks in the ~~potter~~ ~~house~~ & going to Bato. Getting wood for Mr. Cooke & his money went with me

8 Jan 48. Anniversary of the battle of New Orleans.

Came from Ballo this evening - cooler than former days.  
found the family well. little rain at night, cleared off  
9 Sunday fine day, wind blowing a Gale from NW & getting  
cold -

10<sup>th</sup> Clear & cold the ground froze very hard - Frost to Ballo  
Sitting wood, got wheat out last Friday & part of Sat -  
shall get it all out as soon as possible

13<sup>th</sup> Went to Annapolis -

14<sup>th</sup> Ret<sup>d</sup> from Annapolis to Ballo at night.

15<sup>th</sup> Came from Ballo this W<sup>e</sup>. Raining - we got Ice on the 11, 12, 13  
several of the servants sick. my daughter Julia has a sore throat

16<sup>th</sup> Sunday - cloudy part of the day. Dad Thomas, Dad W & Ellen  
dined here - Raining at night.

17<sup>th</sup> Rained most of the night, cleared off this morning & no  
frost in the ground. Reb: Mr Pearson going to Ballo with me  
& this morning - getting out wheat. -

29<sup>th</sup> Jan. came home this Ev<sup>g</sup>. the last week James has  
been getting out & delivering about a 1/3 of Father's  
wheat crop. aft my Cook, Annie & Julia in town.

30<sup>th</sup> Jan Sunday. cloudy. Heard this morning of the death  
of Ellen Ha, eldest daughter of old Thomas.  
she has been confined the Monday before. no. Jan 4.

Sudden termination was looked for when I left Pulo at  
4 of 2<sup>d</sup> July M<sup>y</sup>. the heavy an infant daughter? —  
The weather this last week has been like summer more than  
winter, but today it is cold & damp. I commenced laying  
& paying some after dinner.

31 I saw a slut this M<sup>y</sup> — I shall go to Pato this M<sup>y</sup>  
to see if McCook is coming up today. The funeral takes place  
tomorrow at 11 o'clock. I was allowed to take place  
this M<sup>y</sup> at 5 1/2 o'clock.

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Feb 3<sup>o</sup>. Went to Amnapoli this M<sup>y</sup> —

2<sup>o</sup> Red from Amnapoli, & came from the Indian  
home on the Rail Road. The wind blowing a gale  
from N.W. & paying got home 6 P.M.

6<sup>o</sup> Sunday. Blowing a gale & cold therm. 30<sup>o</sup>.

7<sup>o</sup> Blowing hard all day. Hauling wood &c.  
too much wind to pay the mill race as it kept  
the water always in motion, more calm at  
night

8<sup>o</sup>. Fair M<sup>y</sup>. not cold & calm going to Pato  
hauling wood &c.



13 Feb. Wed Sunday. - Fine clear morn & very cold  
for the last two days it has been cold &  
a light sprinkle of snow. came from Bates this  
morn. Therm. at 2 oc.  $^{\circ}$  30.

14. Cloudy some more moderate Therm at  $34^{\circ}$ .  
hauling Ice from Capt. May's pond about  $2\frac{1}{2}$   
miles thick - Very little Ice for the cold we have  
had as it continues but for a day or so. —

15. Clear warm morn. like spring. white frost, hauled  
all the Ice we could get cutting rails, &c. going  
to Bates.

20. Sunday. came from Bates this morn. Raining  
saw Robins today —

21. ploughing in the quarter field for corn the ground  
is fine & clear. hauling stones off the ground. cutting  
rails. died at Ben Williams. I have the drake  
coming home at night heard woodcock feeding —

22. going to Bates Raining — doing indoor work

27. Sunday fine day an uncommon white frost  
came from Bates. I am waiting to Bates yet.

28. Fine day. ploughing corn ground. hauling  
stone off the same & grubbing it.

29. Fine day some as yet today Mr. Cook going into

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me to Baltimore. at 9 o'clock the wind got to W. W. clouds up & commencing snowing & quite cold, wind getting to N.W. & every appearance of Winter again, such are the changes of weather.

March 5. Sunday. Came from Balto this morn, clear & quite cold, became colder during the day. The ground covered with snow which fell on Thursday last to the depth of 8 inch. Rained that night & froze which has made a crust on it. Clearing to work & fine this time until now.

6<sup>th</sup> March. quite cold last night & wind. This morn at 2<sup>4</sup>°. Getting ice from Capt Myers pond. Anna Maria going to Balto with her this morn. I am in Annapolis all last week.

12<sup>th</sup> Sunday. Came from Balto. this morn. unpleasant morn. during the day it was warm & mild but at night rain & little snow. a heavy rain last Thursday which has made made every thing very wet. hauling rails &c. went to Annapolis last Tuesday & at 2<sup>o</sup> Friday.

13<sup>th</sup> March 1848. Fine morning & quite like Spring  
too wet to plough. hauling rails &c. I am  
going to Bales this morning -

18<sup>th</sup> March. Annie & I came from Bales this morn.

14. 15. 16 - Very cold, quite as much so as any  
time this winter. filed ~~up~~ our ice house  
moderated on 17. & to day mild again. -

hauling wood &c. putting clover seed & cotton  
for people summer cloathing. - then has been to 18<sup>th</sup>

19<sup>th</sup> Sunday. Raining overcast, cloudy &  
foggy at night. Mr. Hapsley went to Bales.

20<sup>th</sup> Cloudy & Raining going to Bales.

25<sup>th</sup> March Came up at night at 10<sup>o</sup> p.m. &  
what is very wonderful I did not meet a  
single person from Leicester to Hazelwood. quite a  
good ride -

26<sup>th</sup> Sunday, cloudy more but became a warm fine  
day. Went to church - both Mr & Mrs  
Garnier, Anne & her also Mrs Williams wife

27<sup>th</sup> Fine Spring day. ploughing for corn & commenced  
gardening Mr Rely came on 23 March -  
William & I return to Bales this morn.

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10:8 April 1. Came from Ballo this Ev found  
all well, except some of the servants.

2<sup>d</sup> fine warm Spring day, every thing appears  
growing. Sunday.

3<sup>d</sup> a very white frost this morn. Ploughing, hauling  
up Plaster from Ellicott. I am obliged to go  
to Ballo this morn. —

4<sup>th</sup> Came from Ballo. this Ev, Chs Pennington came  
up with me. Clear & warm. Hauling Guano from the  
Rail road. James has already loaded & sowed  
nearly 100 bar: of Plaster.

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday. Clear & warm every thing growing, but  
Rain is much wanted.

6<sup>th</sup> Clear & warm sowed Plaster this morn. finished  
hauling up Guano. Ours intend putting it on the  
Corn ground & fixed next Capt Mago. ploughing  
the meadow on Potomac, intend putting part in oats  
the rest will go in Corn again. — Chs Pennington left  
to Ballo, Macgout went also. — I remain at home  
to day, but shall go to Rodanck in the morn on business.

7<sup>th</sup> left home for Ind<sup>t</sup> & set<sup>d</sup> to Ballo that night. quite warm

15<sup>th</sup> April - Catharine myself came from Bales  
this Ev'g. Sowed part of the meadow on Katusant  
in Oats & Timothy. Sowed bar: of Oats out. Raising  
Cane ground - fine day quite cool - had a Rain on  
Wednesday Ev'g which did a great deal of good.

16<sup>th</sup> Sunday - Fine day, tho' cool

17<sup>th</sup> - My Cooke going to Bales with me today -  
Raising Cane ground - clear, the moon & cool.

23 Sunday Easter - came off this Morn'g. Annie, Emily  
& Sarah went to Bales yesterday and I  
to James Thomas wedding which to take place on Tuesday  
Morn'g to rip White - finished planting Corn in the  
Quarter field yesterday in part of it put Treas: in the hill.  
Last Wednesday - Rain & Snow, followed on Thursday Morn'g  
by a severe frost. The ground froze & Ice, but the fruit  
does not appear much injured - certainly not the  
apples & cherries. & pears. Rain is much wanted  
that a Wed: very light -

24<sup>th</sup> cloudy & only in the Morn'g; but cleared off with high wind  
at N.W. Rain is much wanted, every thing suffering  
Holliday. people ploughing up their patches &c. -  
Going to Bales & Corrie go, with me. -

30<sup>th</sup> April Sunday - Came from Bales, saw some  
fuller season, but Emily up.

1<sup>st</sup> May 1848. Cloudy Morn, clear & cloudy  
occasionally during the day. Mr Mathew  
came up this morn. James Monney & wife & a  
number of friends dined here today. Sowing Guano &  
ploughing it in. The blue leg black bird here again 5<sup>th</sup> 12<sup>th</sup>

2<sup>d</sup> May. Showers of Rain & very appearance of a good  
Rain, obliged to go to Bales. It cleared off about  
12 o'clock & turned warm, the Rain altho' not enough  
has done a great deal of good. - C

3<sup>d</sup> Crop ploughing ~~in~~ the Corn ground on which the  
Guano is sowed. It leaves the ground in beautiful  
order

4<sup>th</sup> May - Every appearance of Rain at times but stopped  
off preparing the ground for corn &c.

7 Sunday - Warm day, some appearance of Rain  
but it passed off without any. -

8<sup>th</sup> May - Cool this morning - I shall return to Bales  
this morn. Harrowing corn ground, Embury &c

13<sup>th</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> Came from Bales this Evg & Mr & Mrs Dale  
of Boston. Came with me. quite cool for the  
Season, We have had fine Rains this week, but



high winds & too cold. Finished planting the field  
next to Nag's which has 6 tons of Guano sowed  
on it & being crossed ploughed & harrowed before  
planting. The wheat has improved, but there  
is some fly in. The Corn is yellow that is  
up but a few days of heat will turn it all  
right. at night heavy Rain & wind.

14<sup>th</sup> Sunday. Friday. too cool -

15<sup>th</sup> Very fine morning & calm, much warmer. Every  
thing looks blooming - going to Bates. W.D.  
Remains. Frost this morning.

20<sup>th</sup> May. Mr. & I. came up this Edg. about 10 o'clock.

21<sup>st</sup> Sunday. Warm & clear, Strawberries up  
& plenty of them. Mr. & Annie went to B.

22<sup>nd</sup> Clear & hot going to Bates this morning.

The Rain we had last week, have improved  
the wheat & grass very much & every thing is  
growing freely.

27<sup>th</sup> Came from Bates this Edg. The Gardener has been  
sick & gone home since last Thursday. Two of the hands  
have had the bowel complaint but are well again.

James Cook went to Bates today but is full of cattle fever.

28 Sunday. Clear fine day - Strawberries fine & plenty.

29<sup>th</sup> Cloudy damp more & foggy - working and -  
the garden not set. I am going to Bales this  
Morn. - Anne Maria went with Mr Wm & Ed<sup>d</sup> -  
have her work extended.

4<sup>th</sup> Came from Bales this M<sup>o</sup>. We have had fine  
Rain this week, which has made the wheat  
crop. from present appearances, the best I have  
had for many years. The Corn looks fine & growing  
fast.

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday. - Clear & hot a gust at night with a little  
Rain. Capron & Dorey dined here, with both W.  
& family.

6<sup>th</sup> fine Morn. every thing looks just & fine - I go to  
Bales.

11<sup>th</sup> Sunday. Fine day, we had fine Rain  
yesterday - Whit Sunday.

12<sup>th</sup> a Wednesday. Mr & Mrs Cooley came from  
Bates, where she went on last Thursday &  
came up in her new carriage. too cool for  
the season.

13<sup>th</sup> Cool & clear, ploughing can & corn cutting done.  
and am going to Bates. —

17<sup>c</sup>. Came from Wales this Evg. Mr. Mendenhall & Mr. Cooke  
James Thompson, Mr. Mendenhall & Kate came also. It  
has been very hot & dry for several days. Therm in Cats  
93° in the shade — Cutting clover & filling the stable  
lofts & the two Rooms with it very fine Hay having  
no Rain on it. Wind very weak.

18. Tuesday - Clear shot - a goat went to the north  
wind blowing fresh from S.W.

19. Harvested fall potatoes - commenced cutting the  
Mediterranean wheat which is very good. - -  
Going to Malco this morng -

24<sup>c</sup>. W<sup>m</sup> & I came home tonight James has been cutting wheat & working corn all the week. Rain very much wanted. having had but little of what we had in Bates. W<sup>m</sup> <sup>new</sup> <sup>camp</sup>



Mr Mallum & wife here.

- 3 July Raining & heavy all day, only  
William & I ride return - May Clepham  
later had had an attack of Cholera.
- 9<sup>th</sup> July Sunday - Raining, but cleared off late in the <sup>evening</sup> ~~day~~  
last night clear & bright - It commenced Raining last  
Thursday Evf & has continued ever since every thing  
being soaked with Rain. As yet no flood in the River  
The Oats in the meadow very fine.
- 10<sup>th</sup> Cloudy & drizzling again, cutting grass in the field next  
the garden. Mending roads so I shall return to  
Ballo this morn: -
- 17<sup>th</sup> Mr & I came up this night. It has been  
raining nearly every day this week & very heavy  
rains the meadow was flooded & the oats, but  
they have got up & will be saved with a small  
loss - The corn is growing fairly well a little  
sprouted where the shocks have not been well  
covered & put up.
- 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday fine day
- 19<sup>th</sup> Fine morn, ploughing corn & cutting timothy in  
front of orchard. -

22<sup>nd</sup> July. Mr & I came from Bales. Tonight, very  
damp & dark we have had a great deal  
of Rain, cut the Oats in the Patience meadow it is  
very much injured from a frost & finished  
cutting the young the Hay in meadow in front  
of house a fair crop -

23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday fair day

24<sup>th</sup> Very fine morning. Ploughing corn & field  
next to meadow where I put the Guano. The corn  
was planted late, but it very regular & every  
appearance of a fine crop from the effects of  
the Guano. My daughter Mary very sick. I  
shall return to Bales this morning -

28<sup>th</sup> July 1848. Mary dead. One of the very best servants, but  
who has been long in ill health for long time, died this  
Evening - poor thing she had wasted away to a perfect skeleton  
& life was no longer discernable - she was perfectly resigned  
& appeared happy & willing for the awful change.

29<sup>th</sup> July. I came on stacks our Oats in Patience meadow  
which we finished yesterday. Ploughing on full potatoes &  
Raining again which stops all our work.

30<sup>th</sup> Sunday. I lost Mr P. Brinkley upon last Thursday took  
my daughter Mary & left to me had a very ~~bad~~ & unpleasant visit

I left town this morn at 5 1/2 o'clock. Am & came home to breakfast & found money very scarce & the state very unpleasant. May meal was burned this ~~evening~~ evening. Post W. Waters officiating. Cloudy & drizzling all day.

31 July 1848. Raining & no appearance of clearing up - too wet to plough, mending ways &c. I am obliged to return to Baltimore this morn.

5. Aug 1848. William & I came up tonight - found James had gone to Buckley Springs last Thursday hauling in wheat & ploughing fallow - & so that the corn crop looks fine.

6 July - Sunday freedom -

7<sup>th</sup> Mrs Mallack went to Balco with William hauling in wheat & ploughing fallow - fine day but too hot.

8. Employed day Yes. Miss Williams our Governor's wife has lived 4 years with us. Returned home this morn. She is a great help to us. Very fine weather.

9 - Employed day Yes. I am going to Balco this morn.

13<sup>th</sup> Aug 1848. Sunday. Cloudy most of the day & very hot.

Came from Balco this morn. No one came with me.

14<sup>th</sup>. Very hot close weather, heavy clouds floating in the morn. Ploughing wheat fallow, stacking wheat.



15 Aug 1848. The weather, same as yesterday - Employed the same. Clear, brilliant moon light night - Heavy clouds & foggy Morn'g.

16<sup>th</sup>. Sowed turnip seed this Morn'. Some Rain last night, Close heavy Morn'g, heavy clouds in West & SW & warm. Grain too wet to stack, obliged to send Corn to Ellwyt, Oakland Mills not grinding - commenced Raining at 9 O'Clock AM. from SW.

19<sup>th</sup> Sunday. Came from Ballo this Morn'g - Friday Bishop Mittingham. preached to a large congregation.

20<sup>th</sup>. Ploughing fallow. Rained this Morn'g, but cleared off in the Ev'g - cutting grass the second crop which is very fine. grubbing &c -

22<sup>nd</sup>. Stacking second crop of Clover & the grass in cut of the garden - Ploughing & grubbing &c. my cat's broke into the apple orchard this Morn'g & before we discovered it the old Holstein cow ate so many apples that she became hoarse & died. She was found dead a few hours after dinner time much swollen & I suppose she died from that cause. - Very fine day

23<sup>rd</sup>. fine day Employed as yet. Going to Ballo this Morn'g

27. Sunday. Rained this Morn'g, but? Cloudy all day. Mr M attack came off yet, Ed in the car, & Mr M's primer caught in a baggy. I came off this Morn'g in the car.

28 Aug 1848. Ploughing wheat fallow in field next the  
Mile, running two 3 horse ploughs - I bot two work horses  
to Balto & sent them up on Sat. they work very well, also  
boked a steer I bot of Capt. Thompson, to make my team complete -  
hauling out manure on wheat fallow - grubbing a new field

29<sup>th</sup>: Fine morning, but clouded up, wind N.E. a just last night  
but not much Rain. - Ploughing & hauling out manure  
Lecky. put the new steer in the Cart with the other yoke & the  
works perfectly quiet. - Warm today.

2 Sept. 1848. Came from Balto this M<sup>g</sup>. - fine weather  
ploughing fallow & hauling out manure -

3 Sunday - fine day.

4<sup>th</sup>: fine day but very hot & dry. Ploughing & hauling out  
manure - commenced cutting top in <sup>quarters</sup> Corn field -  
a fine crop of Corn.

5<sup>th</sup>: Employed as yesterday. Rain comes before sunrise  
To night Balto.

6<sup>th</sup>: Came from Balto with my Son W<sup>m</sup>. being sent for  
my dear child Mary being worse.

7. Cool day. our dear Mary as ill as she can be.

8. cold night & very cool this morn. Ploughing fallow  
hauling out manure. My dear daughter Mary Clapham  
died at 3 O'clock P.M. she has been a great sufferer.

Sept 9. 1848. Ploughing fallow, hauling out manure.

Cutting tops &c -

10 Sept. 1848. Sunday, fine cloudy. Our dear Mother was buried this evening at 4 o'clock -

11. Clear fine weather very dry. Ploughing fallow & hauling out manure on the same. Ploughing blades
12. Employed as yesty. Carpenter came yesty. to repair corn house &c.
13. Employed as yesty. fine day - There was a total eclipse of the Moon last night commencing 30 min. before 11 O'Clock & total by 1/2 the moon. -
14. Employed as yesterday. William came up at night failed to go to Balto. on business. - James went down this morn. with Mr. Matlack. hauling plank from Elletts yesterday. -
15. Cloudy Morn. some appearance of Rain, hauling in blades. Ploughing fallow. &c Going to Balto with William. -
16. Came from Balto this eve. Rained yesterday, & this Morn. which will refresh every thing very much. Got out seed wheat
17. Sunday. Rained again this morn. & some in the Ev.
18. Clear fine day, harrowing wheat fallow. hauling out manure &c. Horjans must have.
19. Clear fine day. Employed as yesterday. Going to Baltimore.



23 Sept. 1848 came from Balto this Evg. They have dined  
up the Zimmerman wheat \$10 bus fused - hauled  
up 1/2 tons of Guano for the wheat to get ready to sow.

24 Sunday. Very fine day -

25. Left Commenced sowing wheat in field next the  
mill. putting 300 <sup>lb</sup> of Patagonia Guano on it - Have  
near sweet strong Guano. Some of it however is too wet.  
fine day.

26<sup>th</sup> Fine day employed as yesterday - Ret to Balto.

30<sup>th</sup> Sept. Williams & I came from Balto this Evg  
James has finished sowing the field next the mill in wheateaph  
a small part by the gate not ploughed in consequence of hauling manure  
on the sower. The field has now average 300 <sup>lb</sup> of Guano to the Acre  
sown it.

1 Oct. 1848 Sunday. Cloudy & damp, & night raining -

2<sup>nd</sup> Raining the wind NE, doing in door work, William  
& I return to Balto.

7<sup>th</sup> Came from Balto this Evg. found James had seeded the  
field next the mill & a great part of it up. Cutting  
down can rest to Mays.

8<sup>th</sup> Sunday Friday

9. Cutting down can & ploughing the ground for wheat sowing

10 - Employed day yesterday. did yet at W Williams & went to  
see doct Wollin in Pella today.

11<sup>th</sup> Oct 1848. Some appearance of Rain last night but it cleared off a fine day, the people employed as yesterday. Wrote to Bales this morn. Mr Cooke, Melera & Addie also -

14<sup>th</sup>. Came from Bales this Evg. & Addie came with me. finished cutting & sowing & setting up the Corn in field next to Major's - ploughing the same field for wheat Very fine weather all this week.

15<sup>th</sup> Sunday - Fine day -

16<sup>th</sup>. A little cloudy this morn; but warm, hauling in wheat for seed.

22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday. Mrs Cooke & I came from Baltimore this morn. It rained last Evg, which prevented her from coming up. - William & son Vanloek cancelled.

23<sup>rd</sup>. finished ploughing up the Cornfield next to Major's for wheat & got out some seed wheat in the Evg - William Cooke shot this morn 7. One of the largest fatest woodcocks I ever saw.

~~It~~ It measured from the tip of one wing across the back to the tip of the other 19 1/2 inches It foddered out to the edge of the field. have sowed all the Corn ground but one cut & the land is another. - W<sup>r</sup> J. W. W<sup>r</sup> to Bales this Evg

24<sup>th</sup>. Cloudy & Raining lightly. I shall go to Bath today.

25<sup>th</sup>. Finished seeding wheat 25<sup>th</sup>. 100 bus. in mill feed  
59 80 " Cornfield  
159 3 " Potatoe ground.  
Bushels 184 1

28<sup>th</sup> Oct 1848. Rain is much wanted - dug the early potatoes  
in Garden & around the fall Ours. the early one turn out  
well, the later not - but the quality is very fine. —

29 Oct. 'Sunday' fine day

30. Digging potatoes, remarkably fine day. Mr. Dolan went to Bath.

31 - do. do - fine day. Addie & I going to Bath.

4 Nov. Addie & I came from Bath. This Evng

Rained a little & very appearance of snow - James has put  
away all the potatoes & turnips & sowed the ground in Wheat  
& Timothy - our hogs are up to a very good -

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday. A hard rain & wind all last night & this (Monday)  
rem 12 o'clk when it began clearing off & was clear at dinner  
time, when Doct W & Ellen & Children came to din<sup>r</sup>. Fine day -

6<sup>th</sup> A fine day wind N.W. quite a smart frost this morn<sup>g</sup> - Ice in  
the tubs & barrels that had water in them. - Putting out a stack  
of wheat that is in the Barn to keep the rats from taking it. We  
are overrun with deer at the Barn, Corn house, & Stables. —

7<sup>th</sup> Fine day. putting straw away. grubbing &c. - going to Bath & expect to go  
to New York to morrow on business - This is Election day for President  
of the United States & V.P. for four years -

8<sup>th</sup> left Bath for New York on business.

The Whig Candidates Taylor & Fillmore, Elected Pres & V.P.  
of the United States of A. over Fess & Butler.



16<sup>th</sup> Nov. Returned from N York. Mr Morris of N Yk  
Came on with me.

18<sup>th</sup> Came from Bales this Evg in the cart. found Mr Locke  
at Georgie Williams who is complaining. cloudy & cold

19<sup>th</sup> Sunday. fine day -

20<sup>th</sup> Fine clear day and NW. ploughing for corn next year. Thawing  
in Corn.

25<sup>th</sup> Came up this Evg & William came also.

26<sup>th</sup> Sunday fine day - Mr Locke at the Forge with George

27<sup>th</sup> Fine day - heard this Morn that Ellen Wuthington had  
a son, went to see her & found all well. - Got raspberries  
from Mr. Swans at hunting ridge, husked & put away  
all the corn in gr field - ploughing for corn.

28<sup>th</sup> a very white frost this Morn. making an ice pond  
ploughing for corn - Going to Bales this Morn -

2<sup>nd</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup> ~~Came~~ heard just as I was going to Bales that Geo.  
had a daughter -

2<sup>nd</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup>, Came from Bales tonight found all well, husking  
Hoisting Corn

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday a very fine day. Mr Locke came from Geo.

4<sup>th</sup> Ploughing Corn ground, husking & shelling corn. I shall  
go to Bales this Morn.

9<sup>th</sup> Mr & I came up this Evg. fine weather

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- 10<sup>th</sup> Sunday. drizzle most of the day.
- 11 - Husking corn in field next to May's. The corn good. fine midday.
- 12 - Cloudy Morn. N.E. Wind husking wood &c. commenced snowing & continued until 1 o'clock. William & I had a very unpleasant ride to town.
- 16<sup>th</sup> Came from Bala to night exceedingly dark hardly could see to drive. heavy fog & mist almost all a Rain. James had finished husking & lofting corn & I prepared to kill Hogs on Monday.
- 17 - Sunday, clear & much more like spring than winter.
- 18<sup>th</sup> Fine clear day. Killed my Hogs. 30 in number. They were uncommonly fine weighing 511<sup>lb</sup> - averaging 17 1/2. 4 weighed 210 - It is very mild, bare birds out - - Not look like some of the family went to Bay of the Maine.
- 19<sup>th</sup> Cut up & salted my Hogs. Clear fine day. but too warm for the season. ploughing for corn (putting it) -
- 20<sup>th</sup> Warm Morn. & Raining. I shall go to Bates -
- 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday. Rained since yesterday. turned colder. Fine morning, but closed up again & Rained a little. W. Matlack away.
- 25<sup>th</sup> Christmas. Doct. Morris' family & W. Matlack dined here. Rained all day. about 8 O'clock P.M. wind came round to N.W.

& blew a gale.

- 26<sup>th</sup> Clear fine morning. Went to see Ellen Washington & dined with Bro Williams & Ferguson. His child was christened Ellen Geo. & their families were prevented from dining with us on Christmas, on account of the bad weather. Cloudy at night.
- 27<sup>th</sup> Froze a little last night & Snowing hard this morning. 10<sup>th</sup> & I going to Baltimore.
- 28<sup>th</sup> I had a most uncomfortable ride yesterday. Rained at night, getting wood &c.
- 29<sup>th</sup> Snowed again, but it turned to Rain & continued all day & most of the night.
- 30<sup>th</sup> Snowing again this morning but cleared off about 11 o'clock am.
- 31<sup>st</sup> Sunday. Fine day. Froze in the morning - I came from Balls Blot Emily with me. Sleeping very good in the counting & on the Jump Pike from Balls to Whites. Family went to Church in the night.
- 1<sup>st</sup> Jan'y 1869. Clear fine morning. Froze hard last night. Dined at Doc Thomas. Getting wood &c. our white pine & other trees in the garden very much broken by the weight of snow.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Clear fine day wind NW. coldest thus far. Going to Balls.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday. Clear cold thawed a little. Wm & I came up



It has been very cold all the week, but the Ice off our  
pond is very fine.

8 Jan: Cutting Ice off the Branch in Walnut tree field -  
Total we covered — Keilly, Gardner has been  
absent since the 1<sup>st</sup> inst.

9<sup>th</sup>: Cloudy & every appearance of Snow. Getting Ice  
off the River near Gardner. W<sup>m</sup> Hale is going to Balto.

14 Jan Sunday — came from Balto this morn.

Keilly came on the 12<sup>th</sup> the weather has  
been very cold since Sunday night — affording us an  
opportunity of filling our Ice house which we finished  
yesterday. It has been the coldest weather there yet.  
It continued raining on Saty Ev<sup>g</sup> & cont. all night &  
has been thawing all day.

15<sup>th</sup>: Raining all day, until 4 O'Clock; Ev<sup>g</sup>. doing in  
door work.

16<sup>th</sup>: Clear & off, froze a little last night. Going to  
Balto. Mr Cooke also. Will with my son William  
visit the mines for San Francisco, California. He  
expects to get off this week. Getting wood &c.

21<sup>st</sup>: Sunday. Cloudy & cold. Came from Balto this morn -  
My nephew No Dale came also. - found the  
family well. Mr Cooke En D. in Balto. W<sup>m</sup> has not found

22<sup>nd</sup> Jan 1849. Cloudy & ecco wind N. feels like Snow.

I shall return to Bales this morn. filled the Barn with Wheat, intend getting it out. Hauling wood &c. -

28<sup>th</sup> Sunday. Came from Bales this morn. Mrs Cooke came up last evng. My son William sailed from Bales on Thursday morn ~~25~~ Jan: in the Ship Jane Parker Capt Jordan, for Valparaiso, Callas & San Francisco, in California - W Matlack & a large number of passengers went in her. our threshing machine has been out of order most of the week - have had a new pinion to the spur wheel made, which may answer to get this crop out.

29. Cloudy part of the day getting out wheat. the Machine working better.

30. Cloudy morn getting out wheat. Going to Bales.

4 Feb 1849. Cloudy part of the day. Came from town this morn. My nephew - Mr K Dall sailed yesty in the ship Fylon for California -

5. The ground covered with Snow to the depth of 4 or 5 inches stopped snowing about 10 o'clock am. burnt the Chimnies. getting wood &c. - Sheaf went to Ellipsis. Repairing bad.

6. Clear fine day froze last night, getting wood &c.

11<sup>th</sup> Sunday. Clear beautiful day. Came from town this morn. Mr Johnson diminished a Cold in the men's. but turned warm.

12<sup>th</sup> Feby 1849. Cloudy Morn. wind N. E. Commenced Snowing  
about 11 1/2 ock Am. but stopped by dinner, clearing  
up wheat at night cold.

13<sup>th</sup>. Fine day quite moderate, clearing up wheat &c.  
I am going to Bates. Kelly absent —

18<sup>th</sup>. Sunday. Very cold & clear came from Bates. B. W. wife  
dined here —

19. Filled up our Ice house. The Ice clear hard & thick. Put  
deal of it 8 inches more in thickness. Went to see Ellen —

20<sup>th</sup>. Wind E. & cold. Cutting wood &c. Going to Bates. Mr. Cook  
carried Julia down last Friday to consult Doct Smith, she  
having injured her knee. Kelly still absent. —

25. feby Sunday. We have had another fall of Snow, on the  
22<sup>nd</sup> Inst. altho it snowed for most of the day. Yet it  
was so fine it did not get to the depth of more than 3 inches  
& then thawed making every thing very muddy &c. Kelly  
came up on the 20 & went back the 22<sup>nd</sup> Still absent.

26. Raining most all day & at night. Some of the people  
bait with coldy doing in door work &c. Itup moved  
Candle, all of Feb. on the 24<sup>th</sup>.

27<sup>th</sup>. Cloudy & cold no appearance of clearing up — Going to Bates  
& Addie going with me.

Mr Kelly ret? 1 man



March 10 Sunday - Addie & I came from Balto. this morning  
we were prevented from coming up last  
Sunday, from Addie's being quite unwell from cold  
found my daughter Annie sick with cold. The cat died  
last. The rest of the family well - Buy Williams & wife  
Dact Wallington family, & Misses here. - fine day -

March 11. Cloudy, & some appearance of bad weather.  
I shall return this evening to Balto. John Heskies  
who has been living with me for about 15 months  
as coachman, left ~~this~~ the 12<sup>th</sup> inst. I have hired  
a man by the name of Basil in his place -

17<sup>th</sup>. St. Patrick's day. Fine clear mild warm day.  
Mr. Cooke & I left town a little before 4 P.M. I had  
a very pleasant ride to Elliot's miles, where we had a  
lunch with Shander & (lightning) which continued until  
we had nearly got home - the Road is very deep  
mud cut up from Elliot's to Oakland miles - We have  
had several days of Rain during the past week  
& every thing soaked with water. Cutting rails  
& husking them to repair fences &c. Got sugar &  
salt from Balto. & ~~the~~ the ware &c. -

18<sup>th</sup>. Tuesday, a Cloudy & Raining lightly. - Cloud off  
& was a fine day. Dact. Thomas, dinner here. -

19 March 1849. Clear fine day, freeze last night. a white  
frost this morn. hauling Rail, R. -  
I am going to Batto this morn. -

25 Sunday Came from Batto Raining all the way off  
Sut my clover seed up best with cost 4¢ say this  
some of it spilt in the Rail road - 3 fine days the last week  
the rest raining - hauled & put off the corn ground to look for

26. Cleared off wind NW & quite cold. Washington & John  
Going to town to sell their boom corn & Potatoes. -

Sunday  
1 April 1849. The weather the last week except two days  
has not been good, on Tuesday 27. a violent storm of Wind  
Snow & hail all day the severest day we have had this winter  
It is now fine raining day - the ground a little froze.  
Ellen & her family have acrossed their.

2. Fine spring day, Sowing Clover seed, hauling up plaster getting  
the ground ready for potatoes. Rubbing the wheat looks well

3. Fine day ~~now~~ warmer than yesterday. Sowing plaster clover seed  
to Mr Kelly getting the garden in fine order. peas up & on.  
Going to Batto this morn. -

7. Came off this Evg. quite warm & frosty - found all  
well, ploughing corn ground, sowed all the plaster  
we had hauled up & all the clover seed, 3 bas - will have  
to get more.

8<sup>th</sup> April 1849 Tuesday - Fine day & warm.

Easter Sunday - Dr Thomas dined here -

The black birds have made their appearance for several days past & commenced building ~~about~~ in the trees about the house as usual - & Fringe as it may seem. The one leg black bird has again returned, making the 11<sup>th</sup> species have noticed it being here.

9<sup>th</sup> a Holiday - Cloudy morn. & a light Rain, which will do the wheat good as the ground is dry on top. - The wheat is looking very well.

11<sup>th</sup>. We had a nice Rain on the 10<sup>th</sup>. Cleared off during the day but the wind rose & dried the ground. however it did good - but Anne Maria home -

12. Fine day - a little cool, frost this morn - ploughing &c. Going to Baitto. Mr Cooke also -

13<sup>th</sup> Sunday - the weather has been warm & pleasant until Friday night when it turned very cold, Saty & today cold & Ice this morn. Every thing wears the appearance of Nov. more than April - Mr Cooke & I came from Baitto. Georgiana & Ellen & families dined here - and Mr Ship

16<sup>th</sup>. Last night very cold, the Ground froze this morn. Ice quite thick in buckets &c. where the water stood last night. ploughing & grubbing. Every thing looks cold & suffering from



from the high wind that is blowing from the N.W.

Hauled up some flaxseed from Elliotts. 27<sup>th</sup> Feb.

17<sup>th</sup> B. The wind having died down is now like spring & warmer.

Ploughing & grubbing, hauling stone off corn ground -

Clearing - I am going to Ballcollier Mory -

22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday - Raining in the morn<sup>g</sup>. Cleared off boat 12<sup>th</sup> - but

Rained again in the evening - The last week we have experienced the coldest weather ever known in April, last Monday Morn<sup>g</sup> the 16<sup>th</sup> the mill race & the beach at Whippers Shop. were frozen over. Very cold on Tuesday, & Wednesday Morn<sup>g</sup>. today this was covered with snow to the depth of several inches, which however soon melted, but the whole week has been cold & unseasonable. The peaches, pears & cherries are destroyed & most of the apples. all kinds of fruit has suffered. Vegetation has been most seriously checked.

23<sup>rd</sup> Fine day, ~~after~~ a little sprinkle of Rain this morn<sup>g</sup> - harrowing Corn ground, blind watching &c. Messrs Walter & all the family from Dod Thomas. Dr. Anthony Johnson. J<sup>r</sup> Munnay & W<sup>r</sup> Johnson dined here. Cloudy at night.

24<sup>th</sup> - a nice shower of Rain this morn<sup>g</sup>. people at work as yet. These light rains do a great deal of good, I am to Watts.

29<sup>th</sup> April Sunday. The weather has been very variable

rain & cold most of the week - Miss Steers went to Balto on Friday & carried Emily & Addie (being detained) in town. I took them in my waggon & had a very fine ride until I stopped to water at Corras at Catonville, where I got down to water. In the mean time too 6 horses teams drove up & prevented me getting on except by backing clear of some of the waggons which I was doing before getting into the buggy when something frightened my mare & she turned with her head to Balto, trying to run off. I held to her head but she made another turn on the edge of the lacunar road & upset the waggon throwing Emily & Addie out & breaking the waggon & harness so that I ~~could not~~ <sup>was</sup> ~~then~~ <sup>be</sup> ~~they~~ <sup>are</sup> repaired. I never let her go, but she was much frightened. Fortunately however the children were not hurt much & soon recovered their fright. Mr. Owen kindly sent me a conveyance home with the children. - found those that are at home well -

30<sup>th</sup> April Sent Basil to carry Mr. Owen's Waggon & horse home & bring my mare up. The buggies have to go to town - fair day planting corn, commenced Sat. & putting Peruvian Guano in the hills - quite cool at night.

1<sup>st</sup> May 1849. A most charming day. Warm enough, planting corn in Mr. Owen's field. To go to Balto by the Rail Road -

5<sup>th</sup> May 1849. Yesterday & this morn it was very warm, about 80°<sup>F</sup> a gust came up & Rained very hard in Balto. not a much at Hazlewood. It will do a great deal of good. Came from Balto in the Car & got some Rose bushes up. quite cool ~~after~~ since the Rain.

6<sup>th</sup> Sunday. Thick heavy mist. Drizzling of Rain. Paul Johnson, coachman, took my Grey mare & I rode the Carriage home & drove them to Wood Marling Tins & while gone beat & cut my grey mare between the eyes & rubbed her over her hips & sides, for what cause I have not as yet found out. I discharged hair at once — Cloudy drizzling all the day — several of the Coloured Children heard the whooping cough —

7<sup>th</sup> Cloudy damp & drizzling all day. Ploughing the corn Round a boat the for den. cut, all we have to do. The Corn planted in all the field except that I paid of the little meadow upon the I paid which is now blind ditching —

8<sup>th</sup> Rained a little last night, cloudy damp & drizzling. Going to Balto by Rail Road. Mr. Clarke & Melina going with me. Allen Jackson, from Mary Lewis husband says let. from N. Adams & wife drive us to the Car —



12<sup>th</sup> May, 1869. Came up this Ev<sup>g</sup> with no smoke, all the children  
on the farm have the whooping cough. The weather  
has been cool all the week, some appearance of rain  
a frost this morn<sup>g</sup> that bit the young lettuce. Finished  
planting Corn except the small meadow by the old  
Ice pond. which is ~~not~~ being got ready. - Received letter  
from my son William at Rio de Janeiro - He was well &  
in fine spirits & sailed again for the Pacific & California  
on the 20<sup>th</sup> March - at night a fine shower of rain.

13. Sunday - Cloudy & showery wind high N.E. & cool  
we had a very heavy rain for some time at dinner, which  
will do a great deal of good. Ben Williams & Geo<sup>r</sup> & Anne have  
cleared off in the Ev<sup>g</sup> & warm, but at night blowing hard from N.W.

14<sup>th</sup>. Blowing hard all day from N.W. & cool, dried the surface  
of the ground very much, blind ditching & ploughing the meadow  
at the Ice pond, intend planting it in corn - one first planting  
of corn coming up, but the crows & cut worm are destroying it  
very much.

15<sup>th</sup>. More like spring this morn<sup>g</sup>. than yesterday - planted the part of the  
meadow that was ready. ploughing & sowing at meat house for  
late potatoes. blind ditching &c. going to Bally by Raie Road

16<sup>th</sup>. Fine day. but dry. Anne from Bally this Ev<sup>g</sup>. Anne my girl came  
up. She went very well. finished planting all our Corn

the last in the meadow next the Red Fox pond. — Post this Morning  
20<sup>th</sup> Sunday. Friday but dry, went to see my daughter Ellen,

her children in the whooping cough — the youngest Mary  
very sick — all the children here, white & black have it —  
some of the blacks very bad. — The Rev. Mr. Patton  
from the Lane, preached at our church & dined here —

My Williams family came off with the dog.

21. Friday but dry. commenced ploughing fallow for wheat  
in field south & next the garden. Planting fall potatoes  
in lot next the mess house. James & I went to see  
Col. Capron at the Lane C, but he was not at home, must  
have to die. Ellen Washington & her children came down. They  
are all in the whooping cough & have it badly.

22<sup>nd</sup> Wind fresh from the hope it will blow up Rain, as it would  
do a great deal of good. Planting potatoes, ploughing wheat  
fallow. I shall go to Bates this morning. Shearing Sheep.

23<sup>rd</sup> May Came from Bates this evening — a light rain all the  
Evening & most of the morning, at night raining harder. It  
will do a great deal of good, working corn. The children  
bad in the whooping cough.

24<sup>th</sup> Sunday. Whitsunday. Cloudy & drizzling all day. Dr. Plow  
dined here, children suffering very much from the whooping  
Cough.

28<sup>th</sup> May. a Holiday - cloudy & ~~drizzle~~ raining hard most of the day.

29<sup>th</sup> Raining hard at 9 O'Clock AM. The children suffering very much from the whooping cough white, & black at 10<sup>th</sup> P.M. Henry's child 13 months old died ~~of~~ <sup>any</sup> ~~the~~ ~~same~~ ~~day~~. Raining all ~~the~~ <sup>day</sup> ~~the~~ ~~evening~~. at night very foggy.

30<sup>th</sup> Rained hard this morn - no appearance of clearing up.

Every thing soaked with water. 30 cases of whooping cough on the farm.

June 3<sup>rd</sup> 1849. Sunday. Came from Ballo this morn unable to get up last Evng. Dr France being in N.Y. Very warm, every thing grown very much from the late fine Rain. The children appear better of the whooping cough - Dr. W. & family went home this Evening - the youngest boy very sick yet. - James Cooke is born since Friday last.

Boy Williams & Hoa died here. Sent to the north this Ev.

4<sup>th</sup> Clear & hot going to Ballo, my daughter Kate also.

Belona coming home, having the whooping cough very bad.

10<sup>th</sup> Sunday. Rained last Evng & I could not get up. Cloudy close & drizzling this Morn. Mr<sup>s</sup> Belt came up with the clean off during the day. Our strawberries are ripe. Some of the vines from Boston sent by W. Ball are the largest & best flavoured I ever saw they measured many of them 4 in. round & 5 in. high the long way. - Every thing growing



11<sup>th</sup> Clear shot, going to Balto. Mr France being in New York,  
16<sup>th</sup> Came up this Evng. Clear & pleasant. The morning was  
cloudy close shot. but the wind got to rise. after a sprinkle  
of Rain & the weather looks as if it would be clear. —  
Most of the past week has been cloudy, damp & cold  
unfavorable for every thing. Clear & moderately warm  
weather is now wanted to ripen the wheat &c. My daughter  
Ellis son Harry very ill. from the whooping cough. The  
others are getting better.

17<sup>th</sup> Sunday 1849. Clear & fine morn. Wind to W. <sup>from</sup> N. E. & S. E. part.  
Mr Locke gone to Doc Worthington's. His child is very ill.

18<sup>th</sup> Fine clear day. sowing corn. Doc Worthington's son Harry  
~~is~~ about 7 mos: old died at 2 o'clk P.M. from the whooping cough  
He is to be buried at Hazlewood. Kelly absent.

19<sup>th</sup> Fine weather as can be, sowing corn. The last of the Stimulens  
gathered to day. Kelly ret<sup>d</sup>. Little Harry Worthington was buried  
here this evening - a very hot day. —

20<sup>th</sup> Clear shot ploughing corn.

24<sup>th</sup> Came up at night very hot. The weather all the week  
has been as hot as it has been for many years past.  
The Therm<sup>o</sup> ranging in Balto from 89° to 97° in the shade  
hadest <sup>place</sup> ploughing corn &c. found my boy Mace Rosa had  
lost herself in her halter and is much injured

24<sup>th</sup> Sunday. Very hot. a gale passed to the South West  
and merely a sprinkle here. But Wm & Dr. Walling & families  
dined here - Very hot. Thermo. in the passage 84°.

The mare very bad - Bled her very profusely -

25<sup>th</sup> Clear hot. ploughing corn, hauling in hay - Thermo at  
2 o'clock 82° in passage - Rain would be acceptable  
J. Laver, had his horse colt altered. -

26<sup>th</sup> Fine pleasant morning - ploughing corn hauling in  
hay &c -

30<sup>th</sup> Fine, Clear from Bates this day. It has been  
very hot most of the week finished ploughing  
corn & potatoes - hauled in clover hay. filled the stable

with 4 L. White washing every thing about the house &c  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday since day  
2<sup>nd</sup> July It rained very cold last night that continued all day  
commenced cutting wheat in field next the mill -

The wheat very good, the dry spring home fly has  
made it thinner in some places than it ought to be, but it  
is a good crop throughout. Running 5 cradle, - Thermo. this  
morning at 8 o'clock 66° in the passage - wind high at N.W.

3 July. Clear fine morning, very cool for the season - Thermo 62°  
at 7 o'clock am in the passage - Harvesting wheat in  
field next Oakland mill. - Going to Bates. - Thermo. 66° at  
8 o'clock AM Clear & calm.

8<sup>th</sup> July Sunday. Came from Bates this morn. I am quite unwell disordered all over - found most of the family well, & the wheat harvest nearly over

9<sup>th</sup> Foggy drizzly morn. close shot having had a fine Rain last Evg. the wheat was too wet to cut until after Breakfast finished cutting, all the wheat except the potatoe patch but not finished binding. Paid off the 2 Cradlers. very good hands. the wheat crop very good. I am very unwell.

10<sup>th</sup> Cloudy damp morn. binding setting up in shocks the Corn ground Wheat. finished cutting, binding setting up all our Wheat. a very good crop. potatoe thinner than I ought to be - some fly in it. I am still unable to go to Bates. Cloud off a fine day hot in the sun. Therm: in the passage at 74°. The corn growing finely - the people have holiday this Evg & tomorrow.

11<sup>th</sup> Cloudy, close morn - Cloud off by 8 O'clk the people have gone to harvest for some of the neighbours who had not finished. I shall not go to Bates. I feel too bad.

12<sup>th</sup> The people at town work, harrowing corn, binding Potatoes, a very hot day Therm: at 2 O'clk 86° Mr. Ridgely & Mrs. Gason were here - Govt & family dined here - I feel weak & bad, but better.

13<sup>th</sup> Clear people employed as usual. I intend to go to Bates this morn - very hot in Bates Therm: at 95° in the shade - the Black kitten died,

14<sup>th</sup> Clear hot, until about 3 O'clk when there was way a gust from NW.



& a fine rain, at 2 o'clock the therm. in Batts was at 73° in which  
considered a cool situation. I never recollect having perspired  
so much as I did today before 2 o'clock probably from weakness  
combined with the heat. Left Batts at  $\frac{1}{4}$  before 6 o'clock PM  
It commenced raining again about  $3\frac{1}{2}$  miles from Batts. I could not  
until I got to the 5<sup>th</sup> mile stone. after which I had a pleasant ride.  
However, found that Julia had come the ride up very well & Kate  
very well, as also all the family. The rain will be of great service  
to the corn which is growing finely.

15<sup>th</sup> July. Sunday, Clear fine day & cool. Therm at 8 o'clock 66° in  
the passage - Wind N.W. a change in the temperature of at  
least 15° since this morn. Early. 8 o'clock AM - Dr. Watling &  
family dined here.

16<sup>th</sup> 1845 Clear, fine morn, quite cool, Therm at 7 o'clock PM  
64° - 8 o'clock 66° - Raining Cultivators in corn  
could not get timely pl. Going to Batts. I am quite much  
Baptiste Brooks a coalman I have had got drunk & quite out of  
17<sup>th</sup> - morn, 18 quite hot again 19<sup>th</sup> hot & clear - 20<sup>th</sup> very hot close  
morn - Wheat was hung in Batts today. for the murder of Mrs Cooper. a  
Just in the Evening -

21<sup>st</sup> Close hot morn. I gusts during the day - the last a very heavy  
Rain washing our Cornfield very much, broke the corn & did a good  
deal of damage.

22<sup>nd</sup> July 1849. Sunday. a fine day came from Batts this morn  
the Rain caught some hay unstacked.

23<sup>rd</sup>. Fine morn - securing hay - grubbing &c. Heard on Saturday  
of the arrival of my son William at Lima, after a severe time rounding  
Cape Horn. They however were all well. They would sail soon for their  
final destination "San Francisco", California.

Return to Batts this morning.

28<sup>th</sup>. Came from Batts this Ev<sup>g</sup>. There has been several Showers of Rain  
lately which is fine for the Corn, Cut & secured and Timothy a fair  
crop. Cut the oats in the Rows where the corn was stacked & the  
feed in wheat next to May's. Close & hot most of this week.

29<sup>th</sup>. Sunday. Clear & hot. Mr Cooke went with me to church in the  
buggy Wagon. I have no coachman at present. Henry's little boy  
Henry about 3 yrs old died to day. He was a very fine child  
but had suffered very much from the whooping cough.

30<sup>th</sup>. Clear & very hot. Thermo at 5 o'cl<sup>ok</sup> 82° in the Papago -  
Hauled in the Oats & put them in the Barn. ploughing wheat fallow  
in Quarter field. Cutting Grass in Garden &c.

31<sup>st</sup>. Clear & hot in the Sun, ploughing fallow, cutting the grass in  
the Garden, Hauling, Cut the ashes & manure, from the kitchen  
Yard on the wheat fallow. Mr. Bailey came this morn. has  
been absent for a week & day - . Going to Batts, this evening &  
Mr Cooke also. Ellen Wattington & family, dinner here.

Aug. 4<sup>th</sup>. Mr Cooke & I came from Ballo at night  
the weather has been warm most of week,  
ploughing fallow, grubbing &c. - sowed turnip  
seed among the corn in the meadow next the  
ice pond. — Mr Keily went home Wednesday  
leick

Aug 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday. Clear fine day, hot in the middle  
of day Therm. at 80° in the passage. —  
But Mr Wallington & Ben W<sup>m</sup> & family dined here  
a shower of rain in the eve —

6<sup>th</sup> Cloudy morning. Sent Howard of Rain & very appear-  
ance of rain. Getting out oats. Going to Ballo.  
cleared off without much Rain.

7<sup>th</sup> Haac Wilmer came as coachman.

11<sup>th</sup> Mr Cooke & I came up to night about 9 o'clock quite a cold  
ride, I shall not come up again at night if possible.  
found all well, had some Rain last Thursday, but it

is much wanted. — Mr Keily there about Wick

12<sup>th</sup> Sunday, fine day. But Mr W<sup>m</sup> & family here. Therm. 80° 1/2

13<sup>th</sup>. Harvested together & stacked the wheat in the sun. Found  
wheat next to Mayos 3 large & the small stacked. Harvested  
that in the Potatoe ground. & commenced stacking that in  
rice field, fine day. — Ploughing wheat fallow. Going to Ballo.  
Therm at 7 Oct 64° in passage



18 Aug 1849. Fine Rain this morn. kept Mrs Cooke & myself from coming home. another such Rain will make our corn. Stacking part of our wheat in field next the mill. & intus filling the Barn.

19<sup>th</sup> Sunday - fine day. Mr. Cooke & I came from Bate.

20. cloudy morn: clear off, Stacking wheat & ploughing fallow.

21<sup>st</sup> Cloudy & very damp this morn. Stacking wheat & ploughing wheat fallow.

22<sup>nd</sup> Clear & hot Mercur. 80° at 2 o'clock in the passage. Employed as yesterday. Went to see Ellen Worthington & family. her little girl better of the scarlet fever. Ben, Williams & George drive here with the baby. putting up a new set of steps & platform at the front door.

23<sup>rd</sup> Cloudy morn, mild. Some appearance of Rain, which would be very acceptable. One good Rain would make us a full & fine crop of Corn. filling the Barn up with wheat out of the side field. we have 6 large stacks put up in the field to smelt our rickied wheat.

24<sup>th</sup> a little sprinkle of Rain yest<sup>y</sup> - finished hauling in & stacking my wheat - Barn full, the rest in stacks. If it turns out according to the Skew it will be a good crop. Cooler than yest<sup>y</sup>. Rain much wanted. I am still not much

25<sup>th</sup> Aug 1849. Fine day. ploughing wheat fallow, very dry.

Going to dine with Ben Williams at Savage. This is my birth day. I am 58 years old - Clear shot.

26<sup>th</sup> Sunday, Clear fine day - Capt. France, came up & dined with me. Ben & Geo. Williams, also dined here - Rich Gardner still absent.

27<sup>th</sup> Clear & hot, for several days we have had fog & heavy dew. which I hope will produce Rain, as it is much wanted - Therm: at 20<sup>th</sup> in the Passage 78° ploughing wheat fallow in Quarter field, grubbing &c. in the same. Mr Locke & the Girls, & James dined with Mr & Mrs Macfarlane - I was to write to go. It appears to me as if I fall off every day. & do not get better.

28<sup>th</sup> Fogg morning, - & cloudy ploughing &c. as yesterday - I shall go to see my sister Mrs Ogles to day, I have not been there for several years past. It may do me good.





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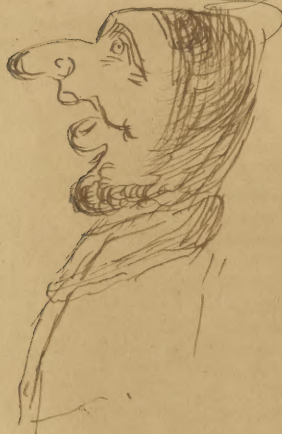
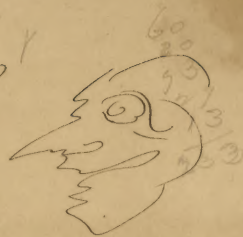






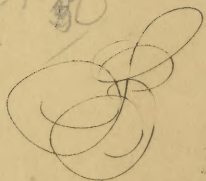


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